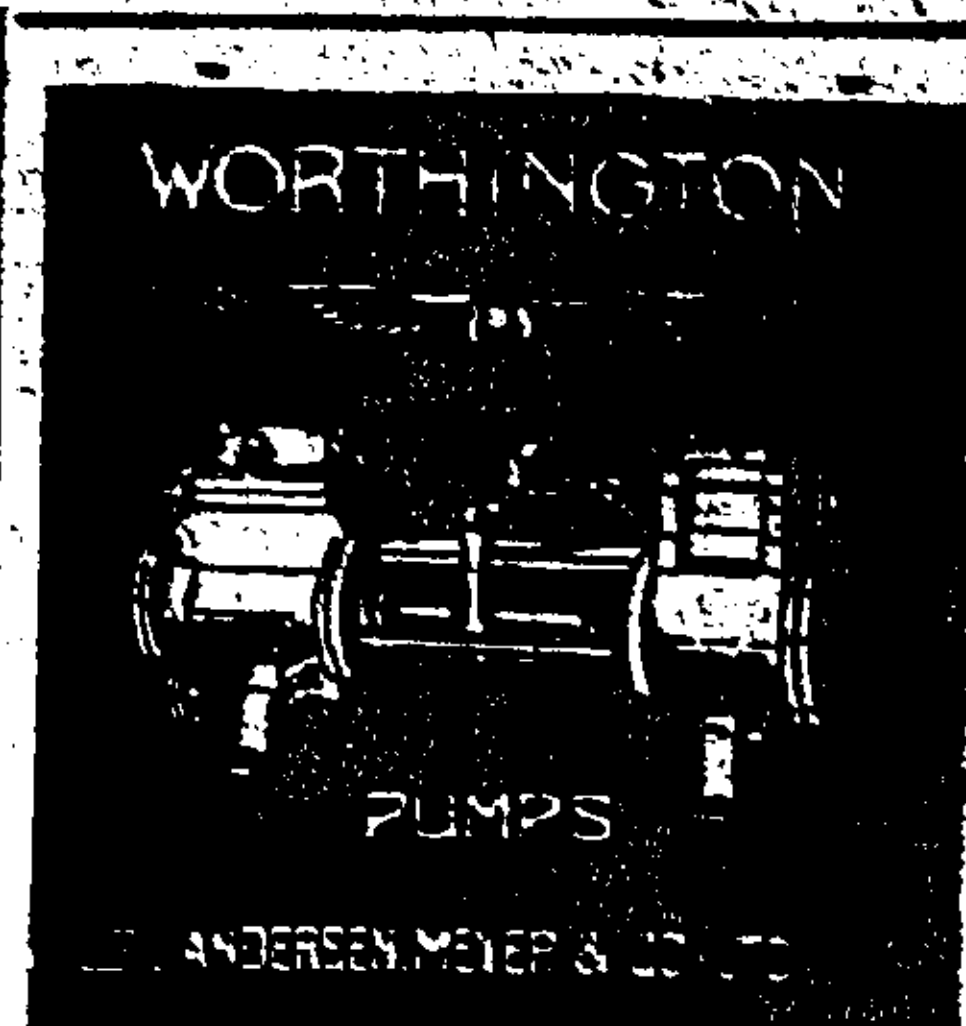


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THE IRISH BILL.

"Die Hards" Hopelessly Beaten. (Reuter's Service.)

London, February 17.
In the House of Commons, the debate on the Ulster amendment to the Irish Bill was resumed.
Lord Hugh Cecil virulently attacked the Government for breach of faith, and Mr. Asquith urged the passage of the Bill as quickly as possible.

The Ulster M.P., Mr. Moles, attacking the Government, repeated the assertion that Mr. Lloyd George or one of his Ministers had assured Sir James Craig that the boundary adjustment would be of a minor character, while Mr. Collins had been promised extensive changes.

Mr. Lloyd George, replying, flatly denied the assertion.
Mr. Ronald McNeill bitterly attacked the Government. He declared that the speeches of Ministers showed that the betrayal of Ulster was more complete than had been feared.

Mr. Chamberlain emphasised the gravity of the decision the House was about to take. He mentioned that at one point in the negotiations with De Valera the Government thought the struggle must be renewed and it was prepared, if necessary, to raise a hundred thousand men, besides putting all available troops into Ireland and waging a most cruel form of war for months. He emphasised that there had been no double language on the part of Ministers with regard to the Boundary Commission. What they had said publicly they had said privately to those with whom they were negotiating.

Captain Craig drew attention to a statement by Mr. Collins that the Irish delegates had been told that large territories were involved in the Boundary Commission.

Mr. Chamberlain replied that Mr. Lloyd George never used the words "large territories". He emphasised that the interpretation of the document with regard to the boundary rested with the Commission. The Government's only function was to appoint a Chairman who would command the confidence of all parties. He hoped the North and the South would agree before the Commission met or the Chairman would find himself acting rather as a conciliator than an adjudicator between hostile parties. There could be no turning back, because the alternative was civil war. If the House rejected the Government's advice, the Cabinet would cease to be their leaders and refuse to be their agents. (Loud Cheers.)

Captain Craig's amendment to the Irish Bill was rejected by 302 votes to 60. The minority was composed of "Die Hards" and Ulstermen. The Bill was read a second time without a division.
Mr. Chamberlain announced that Mr. Collins had secured the release of 42 of those kidnapped.

Situation Improving.

London, February 17.
It is officially opined that the Belfast situation has improved. The city is fairly peaceful to-day as the border also, though both sides are most active. Twenty thousand well-armed specials have been assembled on the Northern side.
All the kidnapped civilians have been released, though about twenty constables remain in captivity in the south of Ireland.

CITY EQUITABLE CO.'S FINANCES.

Losses on Share Holdings.

London, February 17.
The failure of Ellis and Co. has not affected markets, where the firm's difficulties have been common knowledge for some time. It is understood that a comparatively limited circle is involved in the failure, which is attributed to unfortunate investments which are also the cause of the difficulties of the City Equitable Fire Co.

Mr. Bevan (a director of the City Equitable Co.) largely controlled the Ellis business. The estimate of £2,000,000 liabilities is regarded as exaggerated, but probably they will run to seven figures. The desirability of an early official statement as to the special causes of the Equitable Co.'s liquidation is urged in insurance circles in order to prevent public uneasiness regarding insurance finance generally. There was nothing in the Equitable Co.'s last report or in the Chairman's statement at the meeting last June suggesting that the position was unhealthy.

According to the *Manchester Guardian*, part of the losses of the Equitable Co. and of Ellis and Co. is connected with the heavy fall in the shares of two large industrial combines of boom formation—namely, Jute Industries, Ltd., and British Glass Industries, Ltd. The Equitable Co. are large shareholders in Jute Industries, Ltd. Mr. Bevan is a shareholder in British Glass Industries, Ltd.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN MINING DISPUTE.

Approaching a Settlement.

Johannesburg, February 17.
Strikers are trickling back to work, but very few mechanics have resumed. The mine managements have settled down to a policy of getting the maximum return from the restricted operations until the full complement of strikers returns.

Later.
The executive of the Men's Federation has endorsed a scheme submitted by an influential body of strikers with a view to ending the strike. The scheme, which is most complicated, demands the return of all men on the pre-strike basis, and suggests another conference between the Government and the Federation.

AFFAIRS IN INDIA.

Non-Co-Operation "Volunteers" Sentenced.

Calcutta, February 17.
A hundred Non-Co-operation volunteers have been sentenced to terms ranging from a month to six months for unlawful assembly.

Serious Strike on the East Indian Railway.

Allahabad, February 17.
The strike of the Indian personnel on the East Indian Railway, has extended to Jamalpur, which is regarded as a serious development, as the main construction and repair workshops, employing thousands of hands, are situated at Jamalpur. On the other hand, the stations between Calcutta and

HONGKONG HOTEL CO.

Secures Controlling Interest in Wm. Powell, Ltd.

We learn on good authority this morning that the Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited, has secured a controlling interest in Messrs. William Powell, Limited.

This news is especially interesting in view of other announcements which have been recently made regarding local amalgamations. It will be recalled, in this connection, that there appeared prospects some time back of a merger between the Hongkong Hotel Company and the Dairy Farm Company, but that this proposal fell through, it being subsequently announced that the Dairy Farm Company would amalgamate with Messrs. Lane, Crawford and Company and Messrs. Wiseman, Ltd.

EAST AND WEST.

India's Future Part.

London, February 17.
In a special interview with Reuter, Mr. Sastri emphasised that the participation of Western Powers in the Sino-Japanese reconciliation at Washington must result in diminishing the chances of a gigantic struggle between East and West, between the coloured and non-coloured races of the world.
India was profoundly interested in everything making for peace and strength in the East, and her close connection with Britain would perhaps enable her in happier circumstances in the future to keep the peace between conflicting civilisations.

ANOTHER VICTORY FOR LEWIS.

Defeats Gummer in the First Round.

London, February 17.
At Brighton in a twenty-three-minute round contest Kid Lewis, European middle weight champion, knocked out Tom Gummer, ex-champion of Britain, in the first round.
The match was originally fixed for the middle weight championship of Europe, but, owing to Gummer being a pound overweight, the championship was not involved.

PORTUGAL AND HOLLAND.

Respect for Their Pacific Rights.

Washington, February 17.
The United States, Britain, France and Japan, as parties to the Four Power Treaty, have formally notified Portugal and the Netherlands that they are firmly resolved to respect the rights of these two nations in the Pacific.

STINNES LOAN.

A Dutch Denial.

London, February 17.
On authoritative Dutch source reports that the report of the Stinnes loan offer is without foundation. It points out that, on the contrary, the Governor of the Dutch Indies had cancelled, as far as possible, the contracts made with Herr Stinnes in 1920.

THE "DOGS' DERBY."

Guards Brigade Wins the Waterloo Cup.

London, February 17.
At Liverpool, the coursing contest in the Waterloo Cup Final resulted in Guards Brigade beating Beaded Bob. The betting was 30 on the 100 winner.

ANOTHER AUSTRALIAN LOAN FOR LONDON.

Victoria Borrows £4,000,000.

London, February 17.
A loan for the Victoria Government of £4,000,000 at 5½ per cent. redeemable 1930-40, at the issue price of 99, is being underwritten.

RUSSIAN BANKER EXPELLED FROM FRANCE.

Paris, February 17.
Expulsion orders have been granted against a Russian banker and his assistant who are suspected of complicity in the recent campaign to discredit French financial institutions.

FURTHER DROP IN H.C.I.

London, February 17.
The cost of living is still falling in the United Kingdom. Official figures show that costs were 88 per cent. above pre-war rates on the 1st inst. compared with 92 per cent. on January 1.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION IN ITALY.

Rome, February 17.
Signor Bonomi's cabinet was defeated in the Chamber by 295

SCARCITY OF BARRISTERS.

Overcoming a Court Difficulty.

The *Gazette* publishes a draft Bill of an Ordinance to make temporary provision for the appointment of solicitors to appear in the Original Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court in certain emergencies.

The Objects and Reasons state—There is at present a scarcity of practising barristers in the Colony, and the recent death of a leader of the bar has reduced its number. It is desired in the circumstances to empower the Chief Justice as necessary may require to appoint temporary solicitors to conduct cases in the Original Jurisdiction of the Supreme Court. The Ordinance is introduced to deal with an emergency and is made operative for one year.

SEAMEN'S STRIKE.

"A Step Nearer"

PRIVATE MEETING THIS MORNING.

The strike situation this morning remains very much where it did yesterday afternoon insofar as the delegates down from Canton are still in meeting with the Committee of the Tung Wah Hospital.

After we had gone to press yesterday it transpired that the seamen wanted a further concession from the Government regarding the re-instatement of their Union. The Government had previously offered to re-open the Union after the men had gone back to work, but the men now wish the Union to be re-opened synchronous with their departure from Canton so that on arrival here they will have a Union to go to. A request has been made for the return of the office furniture and sign board which were taken away by the Police. It was also suggested at yesterday's meeting that a definite agreement should be come to regarding the rates of increase in pay, thus doing away altogether with the idea of arbitration.

There was nothing definite arrived at last night, and this morning a further private meeting has been held at the Tung Wah. On enquiry just before going to press we were informed by one of the leading members of the Committee that matters had progressed a step nearer settlement. "We do not wish to express an opinion at this stage of the discussion and I do not think that anything definite will transpire before Monday."

On enquiry at the office of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax stated that the Government had had no official communication from the meeting.

There are signs that the owners are in readiness to meet the return of the men to work. We learn to-day that most of the ships' officers have had instructions to hold themselves in readiness, this applying more particularly to the river boats.

The Harbour.

The number of boats in harbour has been still further decreased and the eased situation can be judged by the fact that whilst the number of vessels in port at one time was as high as 170 it has been reduced this morning to 152, representing 245,107 tons. Two Butterfield and Swire boats have got away in addition to those already mentioned, these being the s.s. Hunan and s.s. Ichang.

Four J.C.F.L. boats, all manned by Filipino crews, have also got away, these being the *Tijobada*, *Arakan*, *Gorontalo* and *Tjisondari*. An interesting departure is that of the *Banyai Maru*, which has proceeded to Canton. This is the second boat to make the river trip since the beginning of the strike.

Both the Golden State and the Keystone State are due to leave to-day, carrying Filipino crews. The Blue Funnel liner, *Ixion*, arrived in port from Vancouver and Manila bringing a very large cargo of flour.

Apart from the above news there is little to be added to-day regarding the strike position.

A Canton Assurance.

Our Canton correspondent states that an official notice has been issued by the Commissioner of Customs there in regard to the interruption of foodstuffs intended for Hongkong by armed persons. This states that in view of the sincere statements made in handbills by the Seamen's Union, the public may rest assured that the transit of provisions in future, either by land or river, will not be interrupted.

WHEN AN EGG IS NOT AN EGG.

"The egg substitute consisted of rice flour and arrowroot mixed with 6.5 per cent. of a mixture of acid potassium tartrate, and bicarbonate of soda and coloured with a yellow dye. It is certainly a bad thing to call such an article an egg substitute."

THE RACES.

Tips for Monday. (BY "WIRELESS").

The 1922 Race Meeting opens on Monday, when, given good weather, all Hongkong will gather at the Happy Valley. It is somewhat difficult to forecast results of the opening day's races, owing to the fact that it is not definitely known in which events the various ponies will turn out. But, so far as conditions are known at the moment, I feel justified in giving the following selections:—

WONG-NEI-CHONG STAKES.
Neston ... 1.
King Harry ... 2.
Moses Mainchance ... 3.

MAIDEN STAKES.
SunStar ... 1.
Multum in Parvo ... 2.
Roman Pride ... 3.

KALGAN PLATE.
Mosaic Tile ... 1.
Miserrimus Doleful ... 2.
Robbie Deo ... 3.

VALLEY STAKES.
Stephanotis ... 1.
Hurry-up ... 2.
Bull Finch ... 3.

VICTORIA STAKES.
Fighting King ... 1.
Spotted Sord ... 2.
Beoz ... 3.

CHALLENGE CUP.
Ajax ... 1.
Allied King ... 2.
The Ameer ... 3.

CAUSEWAY BAY STAKES.
Cassia River ... 1.
Kangaroo ... 2.
Flotsam ... 3.

TRIAL PLATE.
Sincerity Dahlia ... 1.
Cutty Sark King ... 2.
Pull Devil Pull Baker ... 3.

GARRISON CUP.
Tiddleywinks ... 1.
Pawnshop ... 2.
Delight Dahlia ... 3.

RACING STAKES.
Scamperdale ... 1.
Bolshovic ... 2.
The Dunlin ... 3.

JOCKEY CLUB STAKES.
Empire Dahlia ... 1.
Sir Colin ... 2.
Speckled Mouse ... 3.

TROUBLE NEAR WUCHOW.

Kwangsi Troops Quarrel with Sun's Soldiers.

According to our Canton correspondent, information comes from Wuchow of a serious conflict which has arisen between the Kwangsi troops stationed at Sam Kwok Teui and Sun Yat-sen's outpost troops at Wuchow.

It is stated that the trouble occurred over a dispute as to who should receive "hush" money for allowing gambling to continue, and that as a result many Kwangsi soldiers were killed and the remainder dispersed.

Other Kwangsi troops under the same commander, stationed at Yungshu market, on hearing the news became very indignant and immediately began to ransack the market. They have since joined hands with other Kwangsi battalions, swearing that they will have revenge.

At present traffic on the Fuhu, Taikang and Laukong Rivers is interrupted, and Sun Yat-sen has ordered the outpost at Wuchow to proceed to Kwailin.

HOCKEY.

To-day's Ladies' Match.

Weather permitting "A" and "B" teams of the Hongkong Ladies' Hockey Club will meet to-day at 3 p.m., at Happy Valley, to play the second match for the Pollock Team Cups. The following ladies will represent the teams:—

"A"—Misses: Curtis, Rose Young, Hyde, Esme Cornell, Hansen, Weill, Frost, Hughes, C. Frost, Woolley and V. Young.
"B"—Misses: E. Woolley, Dunn, Ramsay, Mrs. Davis, Misses: Ruby Young, Toller, Jennings, Brock, Gerard, Angus and Mrs. Hume.

HONGKONG IMPORTS.

Strike Kills Business.

The fortnightly Price Current and Market Report, published by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, contains the following:—

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.—No sales are reported during the interval. Some clearances have been effected for Canton. There is a better feeling in the market, dealers being hopeful of an early termination of the strike.

Cotton yarn.—In consequence of the strike, our market has been closed, business and deliveries being practically at a standstill. No reliable quotations can be given but the Chinese dealers have been quoting lower prices amongst themselves. Arrivals 2,200 bales. Sales nil. Shipments nil. Unsold Stock 6,500 bales. Barzains 10,000 bales.

Woolens.—Business is practically at a standstill owing to the strike. Considerable quantities of 1920 goods will have to be held over for another season.

Raw Cottons.—No business has transferred and values are nominal as follows:—Indian grades at \$23/29. Chinese grades at \$28/35 per picul.

Metals.—Business at a standstill.

Floor Market Report.—Stock: About 1,500,000 sacks. Quotations:—American Patent, \$3.80 per sack, American Straight \$3.00 per sack, American Cut off, \$3.05 per sack, Shanghai Flour, \$3.20 per sack, Australian No. 1, \$3.10 per sack.

Sandries.—On account of the strike, business has been at a standstill.

"KEEP TO THE LEFT."

Bristol has just adopted the Safety First maxim, "Keep to the Left." The association hope very shortly to be able to bring a similar order into force in London. By keeping to the left on the pavement, pedestrians, before crossing the street, make the necessary half turn which enables them to see the on-coming traffic. Half the accidents that now happen are caused by a step into the road without first looking behind to see what is coming.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

"Water Lily" is the feature film at the Hongkong Theatre during the week-end.—Page 12.

The Hongkong Hotel Co. is running a Motor Coach Service to the Races, commencing Monday. Page 4.

There is a dinner dancette at Repulse Bay Hotel to-night.—Page 4.

Scottish Songs on Regal Records may be obtained from the Anderson Music Coy.—Page 4.

The T. K. K. advises consignees of Cargo of the arrival in port of the Korea Maru.—Page 4.

The World Theatre advertises the Garcia Troupe and a special film for their 5 p.m. and 9-15 p.m. performances to-day.—Page 12.

The complete furnishings of a bachelor's flat gone for sale.—Page 4.

The fire and marine insurance offices will be closed on Race Days after 11.45 a.m.

On Thursday next Lamart Bros. are selling a number of safes, typewriters and nautical instruments.—Page 4.

The partnership between Messrs. E. H. Ray and P. J. Falconer has been dissolved, and Mr. Ray will now carry on the business in his own name.—Page 4.

Mr. Leighton Hope, expresses regret that illness prevented him from seeing many friends before leaving.—Page 4.

To-day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar, as demanded in Hongkong, is \$2.55 1/2.

NOTICE.

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EARLIER SPECIAL
TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHIP'S ENGINEER
DROWNED.

Shanghai, Feb. 17.
G. Hutchinson, third engineer on the steamer Tangshan, was drowned at Whangpo yesterday. The vessel was in the old Ningpo Dock. Hutchinson slipped on the gang-plank when going aboard and fell between the jetty and the ship. It is believed he struck his head, rendering him unconscious. The body has been recovered. Hutchinson's home is at Sydney, Australia. The Tangshan arrived here from Singapore.

HOME FOOTBALL.

Scottish Cup.

FIRST ROUND RESULTS.

The first round of the Scottish Football Association Cup, played on January 28th, resulted as follows:

East Fife 0 Motherwell 3
Partick Thistle 1 Dunfermline 0
Harp 0
Blairgowrie 0 Queen's Park 0
Aberdeen 1 Stirling Albion 0
Clydebank 0 Greenock 1
Stirling Albion 0 Dundee 2
Dundee 1 Brechin United 0

Albion Rovers 0 St. Johnstone 2
Val of Eden 1 Fraserburgh 0
Queen's Park 0 Northdale Wanderers 1
East Stirling 0 Douglas Wanderers 1
Dunfermline 0 Stirling Albion 1
Athletic 0 United 1
Motherwell 4 Vale 0
Leithen 0
Chesham Union 0 Rangers 0
Celtic 0 Montrose 0
Hibernian 0 Arbroath 0
Albion 0 St. Bernard's 1
Hibernian 0
Gala Fairydean 0
Aberdeen 1 Dunfermline 0
Rathfriland 0 Forfar Athletic 0
Falkirk 0 Leven 0
Kilmarnock 0 Bathgate 0
Helen 0
Rosedale 0 Thistle 0
Leith Athletic 0 Bonmahon 0
Stranmillis 0 Cowie Athletic 0
Vale of Athol 1 Brechin United 0
Royal Albert 2 Hibernian 0
Milton 0
Arbroath 0 St. Mirren 0
The matches, Blackburn Rovers v. Inverness City and King's Park v. Johnstone, were postponed, the grounds being unfit. Leith Athletic v. United v. Athol was postponed owing to the ground being covered with snow.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

First Division.

Manchester United 3 Sunderland 1

Second Division.

Coventry 0 Blackpool 1

West Ham 1 Leeds 1

Wolverhampton 0 Wednesday 0

South Shields 2 Rotherham 0

Third Division (Northern).

Aberdeen 0 Tranmere 0

Chester 0 Stalybridge 1

Grimsby 0 Barnsley 1

Hartlepool 0 Nelson 1

Rochdale 1 Darlington 2

Southport 1 Wrexham 2

Stockport 4 Durham City 0

Walsall 0 Aston Villa 2

The match, Halifax v. Lincoln, was postponed. Wigan v. Chesterfield was not played.

Third Division (Southern).

Gillingham 1 Queens' Park Rangers 0

Motherwell 0 Aldershot 1

Newport 0 Bristol Rovers 1

Plymouth 1 Brentford 0

English Cup Replay.

In the second round replay, North County beat Bradford City by one goal to nil, at Sheffield.

Entries for the annual tennis tournament of the Hongkong Cricket Club have closed, and the handicappers are busy with the drawing. The entry is quite satisfactory. For the open singles championship 38 have entered and for the doubles championship 28. The H.K.C.C. championship has 19 entries, the handicap singles (two classes) 46, handicap doubles 36 pairs and mixed doubles handicap 27 pairs.

In the championship there are many new names, but we have not heard of any outstanding talent likely to beat the holder of the singles, Ng Sze-kwong. Regarding the doubles, it is not correct that one of the Hancock brothers is leaving the Colony. They will defend their title. The Lo brothers are in again, also Wong Po-keung and V. Yanovich. Chief interest, however, will centre in Ng Sze-kwong and W. Lock-wai, who have been playing together in the League but have not hitherto partnered each other in the championship.

ST. DUNSTON'S.

Acknowledgment of
Hongkong Help.

The following letter has been received by Mrs. Alice Grant-Smith, who, it will be recalled, organised a very successful bridge tournament at the Helena May Institute in aid of St. Dunstan's Hostel for Blindfold Soldiers and Sailors:—

3rd January, 1922.
Dear Madam:—I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 22nd November, addressed to our late Chairman, Sir Arthur Peartree, and to send you herewith a formal receipt for the splendid donation of £300 15s. 2d., which you have sent for the funds of St. Dunstan's.

We had already heard from Miss Day of the great kindness of some of her friends in Hongkong in contributing towards a fund for Braille books for some of the Australian soldiers, and Miss Day had hinted at the possibility of further donations to our general fund, but we had not anticipated such a magnificent total. The donation from Fochow has been safely received, and I thank you for the very practical thought which led you to appeal to the Consul of the various towns; this course should result in renewed and widespread interest in our efforts for the blinded men.

I hope that you will accept yourself and convey to Mrs. Roberts and all those who have heartily assisted you in your effort, an expression of most sincere and cordial thanks. The most substantial donation which you have forwarded is doubly welcome as it comes at a time when, owing to the recent financial and industrial depression which we have experienced, money is increasingly difficult to obtain for purposes such as ours.

With hearty congratulations upon the success of your appeal, and most deep and sincere thanks, etc.,
Sd/- E. M. Chadwick Kates,
Secretary, Blindfold Soldiers' and Sailors' Care Committee.

A YAUMATI ROBBERY.

Robbers Severely Battered.
Mr. J. B. Wood yesterday committed three young Chinese to the Sessions for trial on a charge of robbing a boatwoman of a gold earring with violence.

It is alleged that on the night of the 6th inst. defendants engaged the woman's boat at the Lee Koo wharf, Yaumati, and directed her to proceed to a lighter. When the boat got out a short distance one of the defendants suddenly threw a rope round the neck of the complainant who was rowing the boat by herself, while another defendant snatched one of her earrings with a gold stone drop attached to it. The complainant grappled with the robbers and during the struggle all four people went to one side with the result that the boat overturned, throwing all of them into the sea. The woman managed to climb up on the keel of the overturned boat and shouted for assistance. A man who was returning to his boat in a small dinghy answered the call, followed defendants in his boat and struck them on the head with his paddle every time they put their heads above the water. Two of the defendants were badly battered. One of them was hauled up into the dinghy by the boatman and was taken ashore. Subsequently he was tied to another defendant who was captured when he climbed on to a P. and O. lighter. They were taken to the Police Station. In the meantime Lance Sergeant Sney received a report of the robbery. He set out in a small boat in search of the robbers and found the third defendant floating in the water in an unconscious condition, and with a number of wounds on his head. Two of the defendants had to be treated in hospital for eight days.

BECOMING HEADDRESS.



The headdress pictured above has a purplish red velvet flower with rhinestone centre on the forehead and leaves of the velvet around the head.

BILLIARDS
CHAMPIONSHIP.

Result of Draw.

The following is the result of the draw in the Billiards Championship of the Colony:

Wm. Smith and Lee Wing In, byes.

E. G. Gurney and A. Leach, byes.

W. W. W. byes.

L. A. Osmond v. J. Greenon, 27th February.

R. F. de Lora v. Andrew Teo, 28th February.

A. G. Pile v. S. K. Kwok, 1st March.

E. L. Barros v. P. A. Yanovich, 2nd March.

P. Wilson v. Ng Sze Kwong, 3rd March.

W. F. Ness, and E. Antonio, byes.

W. A. Pannell and Ho Shai Cheong, byes.

G. F. Hue and C. Earnshaw, byes.

The competition will commence on Monday, the 27th of February. Preliminary rounds will be 500 up to start each evening at 9.30 p.m. Semi-finals will be 750 up and the final (in two sessions) 1,000 up.

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SHANGHAI BILLIARDS.

Fine Break by the
Champion.

The Shanghai Amateur Billiard Championship will be played off to-morrow. It is not derogatory to any other player to say that until this season there has never been one really in the same class as Mr. C. W. Porter, and so it has previously been a one-sided attraction. Things have changed and several of the leading club players are quite capable of meeting him on level terms as witness the great game he had with Mr. E. D. Bush in his semi-final. Better than any, however, is Mr. R. C. K. Johnson, who, at his first entry, has established himself as favourite. Mr. Porter, during a game at the Shanghai Club, showed that he is capable of quite as good billiards as anything Mr. Johnson has put up. He topped a fine string of more than moderate breaks with a splendid run of 144, so that there are now three men jointly holding the club's record. It is curious that none can get the extra four points to give them the Shanghai record, which Mr. C. D. Komaroff holds with 147.

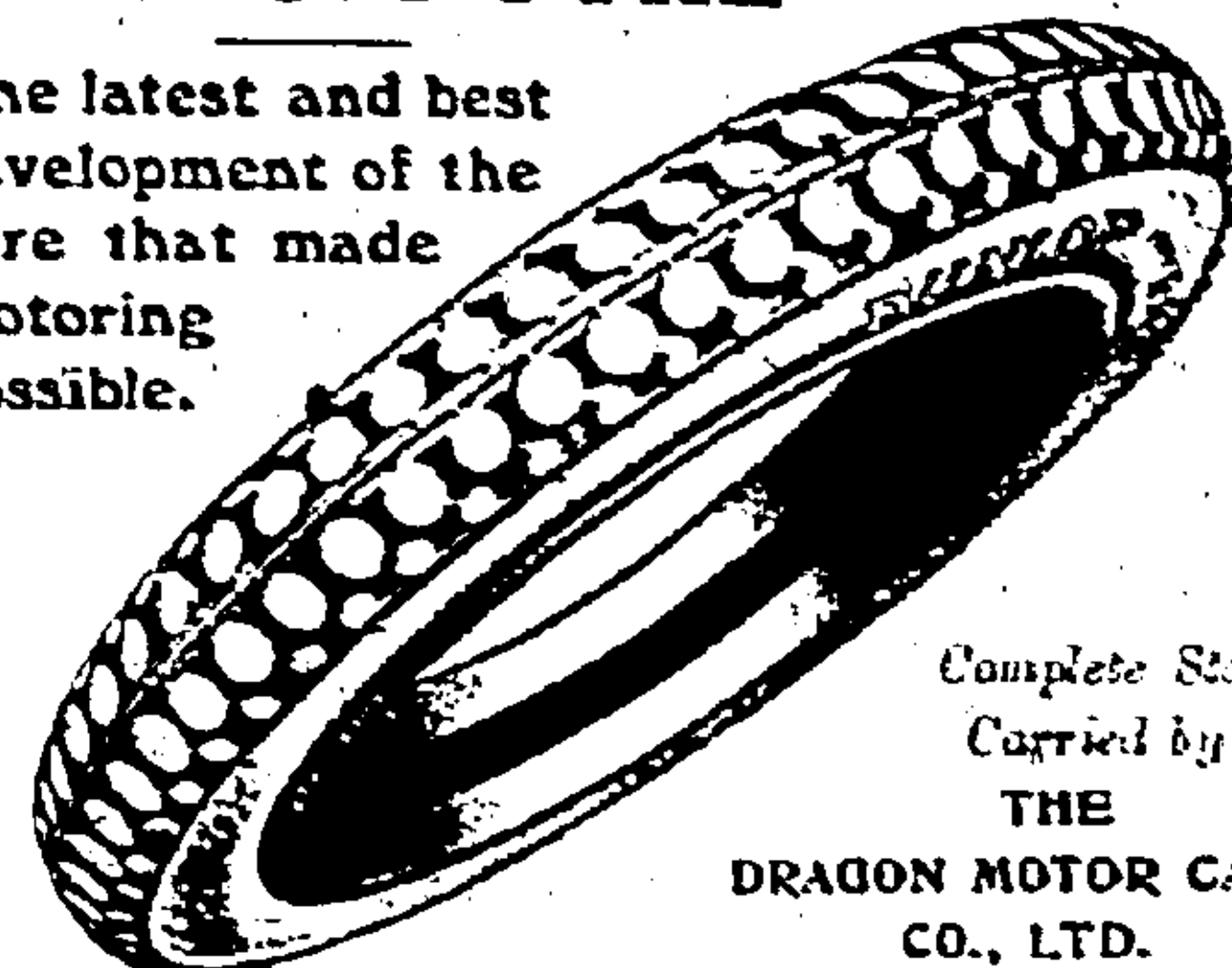
THE SHANTUNG RAILWAY.

Mr. Hughes officially stated before the Washington Conference that according to the Sino-Japanese agreement, the Tsingtao-Kiaochow Railway will be returned to China within 4 months against payment of its value in Chinese treasury bonds. Japanese engineers will stay in office till the delivery of the line has been completed through a Sino-Japanese special commission. Mr. Hughes further declared that the Shantung settlement and the consummation of the naval disarmament agreement will tend towards realising world's peace by the Powers.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE PRINCE'S TOUR.

Delhi, Feb. 17.
The great durbar, convened by the Viceroy in the old fort at Delhi on Thursday afternoon, was profoundly impressive as a spectacle, but did not go beyond this. Lord Reading, in welcoming the Prince of Wales in the name of the Government of India, again emphasised the point that the Prince's visit was unassociated with politics, that he had come out, in his own words, "to know the people and let the people know him" and was splendidly fulfilling this mission. This effectually disposes of the very prevalent idea that the Prince's visit to the capital might be marked by some announcement of an important character. On Friday morning the Prince laid the foundation stone of the Kitchener Memorial College for sons of Indian Officers in the new capital amid a fine scene of military pageantry. On Saturday night he will be the guest of the ruling Indian princes and chiefs at a banquet of characteristic splendour.

THE IRISH BILL.

London, Feb. 17.
The only further item of interest during the debate on the second reading of the Irish Free State Bill, which was adjourned, was Mr. Chamberlain's pointed approval of his brother Neville's remark that it is understood the Boundaries Commission would only adjust boundaries and not transfer large territories.

THE BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

Paris, Feb. 16.
The Senate Financial Committee has unanimously approved Senator Jeanneney's exhaustive report recommending the adoption of the Government's plan in the matter of the Banque Industrielle as already passed by the Chamber.—Havas.

FILIPINOS DISSATISFIED.

Alleged Plan to Boycott
Americans.

Considerable opposition to the Wood-Forbes report and the policy followed by the new administration has manifested itself recently among certain sections of the Filipinos, states a Manila report. Last month the constabulary seized documents of the so-called Liberal-Nationalists party outlining plans to boycott Americans in the islands and to inaugurate a scheme of passive resistance. Included in the papers, which have been withheld from publication, was a resolution condemning the Wood-Forbes report as a series of "slandorous

accusations" against the Filipino people. The Liberal-Nationalists party is composed of disaffected members of the Nationalist party. No Government officials are connected with it, and the authorities say that it is not a serious factor in Philippine politics. Filipinos in Davao province are also seriously criticising the appointment of an American constabulary officer, Colonel J. P. L. Tharr, as provincial governor there. Many sanguinary speeches were made when the new governor assumed office a few days ago. The discontent has not gone beyond the oratorical stage, however, according to reports received in Manila.

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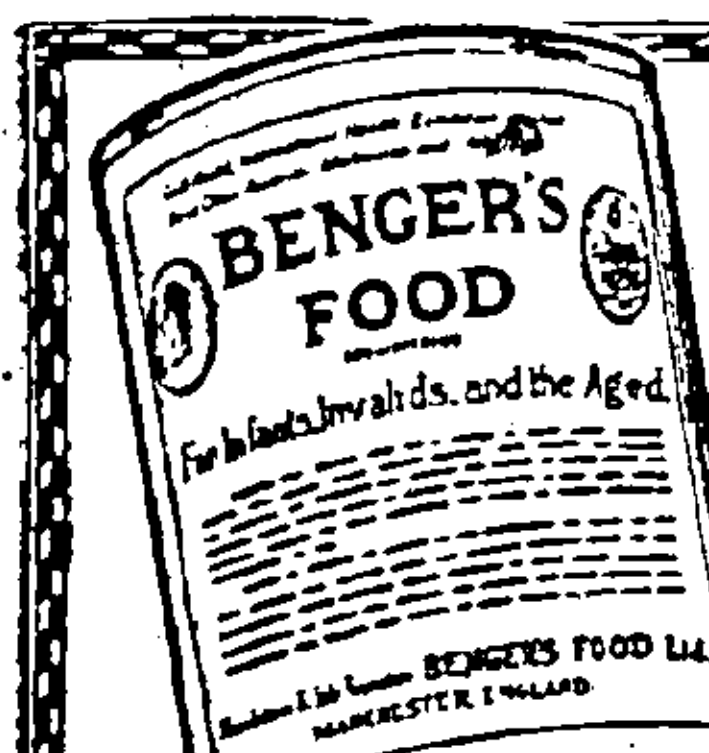
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CHINESE NEWS.

**THE BRITISH CONCESSION
AT HANKOW.**

The Shanghai Journal of Commerce states that the British Concession at Hankow is shortly to be divided into two sections—one for Chinese and the other for Europeans. No Chinese firms will be allowed to be established in the latter, and all Chinese living there will have to be registered. This will come into effect, if there is no opposition, in 1925.

TERRA INCOGNITA.

The scientific expedition to the Murman peninsula led by Professor Fersman lately returned to Petrograd after an absence of two months spent on the Kola peninsula. The expedition visited the central region and the mountains of the Kola peninsula, which no human being had ever entered before. The expedition discovered more than 200 mines of rare minerals. In the mineral collection brought back there are samples of hitherto unknown minerals.

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**LABOURING CLASSES OF
THE FAR EAST.**

Congress at Moscow.

Mr. Zinovieff authorized by the Executive Committee of the Communist (Third) International, inaugurated the Congress of Labouring Classes of the Peoples of the Far East in the Kremlin, Moscow, on the 21st ult. In the opening speech he said that the Communist International from the very first days of its existence fully realized that the victory of the proletariat over the bourgeoisie was possible only on a worldwide scale. The world revolutionary movement must not be confounded with revolutionary movement in Europe.

MUST BE WORLD AFFAIR.

"We know," said Mr. Zinovieff that however important the revolutionary movement in Europe may be, the final victory can be carried away only by the world proletariat. The members of the Second International blamed us for our endeavours to make the labouring masses of the East participate in the struggle of the European workers. These heavy-minded and shortsighted European Philistines cannot see any further than Europe. The difference between the Third International and the second International is that the former tries not only in words but also in deeds to become the organization of labourers of Europe and of the whole world as well.

GREATEST FOE AT HOME.

Who do not conceal that until now our connection with your countries has been rather weak. Therefore the Executive Committee of the Third International is ready to listen with the greatest attention to your communications. We are convinced that Japanese proletariat does not forget Karl Liebknecht's covenant that the foe is in its own land and that the greatest enemy of the labourers is their own bourgeoisie.

After pointing out that the question of colonies is the centre point of the world's politics and that the Third International has broken the tradition of the Second International Mr. Zinovieff closed his speech.

The election of a President of twelve members then took place. Messrs. Lenin, Trotsky, Zinovieff, Katayama, and Stalin were elected the honorary chairmen.

JAPANESE VETERAN SPEAKS.

A veteran of the Japanese revolutionary movement, Mr. Katayama, took the floor and was greeted by applause. He said that the workers of the Far East feel more keenly than any others the burden of Japanese and western imperialism. "In this Congress we must unite our rows and by joint forces give a decisive battle to the imperialists of all countries."

Mr. Kalinin spoke on the part of the All-Russian Central Executive Committee as follows:

"The essential feature of our policy is that we do not strive to exploit other peoples. Those present here are representatives of the most oppressed peoples of the world, and our principal links with them is our common struggle with the oppressors."

Mr. Losovsky addressing the Congress on behalf of the Trade Union of the Communist International, said: "With the expansion of capitalism and the growth of industry in the East, the organization of the most primitive form of professional associations takes place. Workmen of Eastern nations must learn from the experience of the West and America how to organize their revolutionary professional unions. The Communist International of Trade Unions will gladly receive all revolutionary workmen of your countries who will firmly carry on the struggle with their exploiters."

**WASHINGTON CONFERENCE
UNSUCCESSFUL.**

Mr. Mocsu delivered a speech in the name of the Japanese delegation, saying that Washington Conference has ended unsuccessfully and will unavoidably call forth a clash between Japan and America. The Japanese proletariat must exhaust all efforts to overthrow the Japanese militarists and imperialists and to unite around the slogans of Soviet Russia.

The representative of the Chinese delegation, Mr. Chang Bo-yan, said that he had great hopes in the Congress, after which the revolutionary movement in the Far East must become more intensified, have a strongly united organization, and adopt a precise programme of action.

Mr. Kin tendered his sincere congratulations to the Congress on behalf of the revolutionary people of Korea, saying, "Moscow where we now gather was in the past associated with the idea of imperialistic sovereignty. Washington, which was always regarded as the centre of democracy, now stands as the centre of world-wide capitalistic exploitation and is leading the policy of imperialistic aggression. The workers of the East meet here in Moscow representatives of the West. Henceforth there will be no more East or West, but a common front of the Proletariat."

**CHINESE LADY DELEGATE
SPEAKS.**

Miss Wang, the representative of the Women's Delegation, a member of the Chinese delegation as well as an authoress, declared: "Women must be enfranchised as well as men. Russia is the only country which has brought about the emancipation of women. Chinese women endeavour to help Russia to free herself from the pains which the capitalist of the whole world have inflicted upon her."

Mr. Samgwan brought a message from Java and the Dutch Indies, saying: "The proletarians of Java are toiling for the benefit

of foreign capitalists. The Washington Conference has drawn the Java question into the background because the exploitation of the Dutch Indies has been decided upon by the world imperialists long ago. This state of affairs will not endure forever: the proletarians of India will not be the last ones in the great struggle of labour and capital."

On behalf of the Communist International of Youths, Mr. Miller addressed a strong appeal to the youth of the Eastern nations, inviting them to join the vanguard already fighting the world-capitalist.

Mr. Ray, representative of the Hindu Communist Party, said: "hitherto the representatives of capitalism and imperialism were trying to incite us against each other. This Congress will begin a new epoch. The workers of the Far East will see that there is nothing to divide them. They have a common enemy which they must fight with joint forces."

A representative of the Communist Party of America expressed his approval of the statement that the Congress was an indication of the workers of the East and the West. Referring to the powerful growth of capitalism in America during the last twenty years, he said: "The Washington Conference is considering how best to transform the sweat of the colonial and semi-colonial workmen into gold dollars. Now it is to us to discuss how we can prevent it from doing this."

In his final speech, Mr. Zinovieff said: "The Russian revolution will soon celebrate the fifth anniversary of its victory, and this is no more than a single minute on the clock of history. The world revolution is the union of all world's workmen under the banner of the Communist International."

"WATERLOO."

**No Change in the Name of
the Battlefield.**

With reference to reports that the Belgian Government has decided out of consideration for the susceptibilities of France to change the name of Waterloo to Louvain, Reuter's Agency learns that this change of name does not refer to the famous battlefield of Waterloo. During the war the German authorities re-named several villages and landmarks in Eupen and Malmédy, evidently with the object of humiliating people friendly to Belgium, among these being a mill which was re-named Waterloo. This mill, together with all other places similarly re-named, will now drop its new artificial denomination and will be known henceforth as Louvain.

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RACE HOLIDAYS.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will open for the transaction of Public Business at 9.30 a.m. on MONDAY, TUESDAY and WEDNESDAY, the 20th, 21st, and 22nd, February, and close at 12 noon. Hongkong, 11th, February, 1922.

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NOTICE.

Mr. LEIGHTON HOPK, American Consul, desires it to be made known, that illness for the past two days prior to his departure for the United States has prevented him seeing a number of friends whom he wished to thank for many courtesies extended to him during his five years' stay in Hongkong.

NOTICE.

The Partnership heretofore existing between Edward Henry Ray and Percy James Falconer as Ship, Freight & General Brokers, under the style or name of Ray & Falconer was dissolved by mutual consent on 31st December, 1921.

E. H. RAY
P. J. FALCONER.

E. H. Ray will continue to carry on business in his own name as Ship, Freight & General Broker.

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INSURANCES OFFICES.

Race Holidays.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all FIRE & MARINE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY and SATURDAY, February 20th, 21st, 22nd and 25th, from 11.45 a.m.

By Order.

LOWE, BINGHAM AND MATTHEWS,
Secretaries.
FIRE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.
MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG AND CANTON.
Hongkong, 18th, Feb., 1922.

G. R. TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

The Institute will Re-open on Monday, Feb. 20th. Students will be Enrolled at the Education Office only, and should apply at once for Entry Forms.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING 1922.

"D.A.J." extend a cordial invitation to all their friends to attend the forthcoming Race Meeting at their Private Stand. No cards are being issued.

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NOTICE.

RACE MEETING.

On Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, the 20th, 21st, and 22nd, February, all Departments will be closed at 1 p.m.

On these days The Hongkong Dispensary will be opened for the purpose of dispensing prescription from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

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Hongkong, 18th, Feb., 1922.

RACE WEEK.

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Monday, February, 20th 1922.

at 9.15 at the CITY HALL
Tickets 5s. Booking at Mr. J. S. 5s. fine for non-Fancy Dress will be collected at the door.

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Books of coupons valued \$2.00 will be sold near the entrance to the Bar on the Ground Floor. Chits will not be accepted. The value of all unused coupons, which it is requested should be handed to the Committee or Stewards, will be refunded by the Hongkong Hotel for the credit of the Fund.

HONGKONG HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The ANNUAL SHOW OF FLOWERS and VEGETABLES will be held in the BOTANIC GARDENS on and MARCH 2 p.m. till 6 p.m. Admission 5s.00.

PRIZES will be presented by LADY STUBBS at 5 p.m. Military Band will play.

Tea obtainable in the grounds. Intending Exhibitors are reminded that ENTRIES close on 3rd February. As the Races will be held next week it is suggested that Exhibitors compile their lists during this coming week-end and forward them early to the Hon. Secretary—Mr. L. Gibbs, Beaconsfield Arcade.

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THE Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

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H. BIRKETT, Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1922.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and the ENCLOSURE during the Races.

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H. BIRKETT, Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1922.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

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H. BIRKETT, Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1922.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday the 18th, day of February 1922 at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December 1921.

The Register of shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday 6th, February to Saturday 18th, February 1922 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. G. STEPHEN, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st, February, 1922.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

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W. S. BROWN, Secretary.
Hongkong, 11th, February, 1922.

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NOTICE is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED will be held at the Hongkong Hotel on Friday the 3rd day of March 1922 at 11.30 o'clock in the forenoon when the subjoined Resolutions will be proposed as Extraordinary Resolutions.

1. That Article 105 of this Company's Articles of Association be altered as follows:—
(a) By the insertion of "\$10,000" in the place of "\$3,000" in the fifth line thereof.
(b) By striking out in the ninth and tenth lines thereof the words "for each financial year of the Company" and inserting in place thereof the words "in every year wherein such profits shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of \$150,000, and a commission of ten per cent. per annum on all the net profits of the Company in excess of that sum".

2. That the above Resolution (No. 1) to be retrospective and take effect from the 1st day of January 1922.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the required majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a further Extraordinary General Meeting and such Meeting will be held on Monday, the 20th day of March, 1922, at the same time and place for the purpose of considering and if thought fit confirming such Resolutions as Special Resolutions accordingly.

Dated the 15th day of Feb., 1922
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By order of the Committee.
P. TESTER, Secretary.
Hongkong, 16th, Feb., 1922.

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 22nd of Feb., to Tuesday, the 28th, February, 1922, both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
M. MANUK, Secretary.

UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

Immediate applications are invited for the post of part-time Lecturer in Materials of Commerce in the Faculty of Arts (Economic minerals, Textiles, Foodstuffs). A total of about 30 lectures will be required during the current Spring term and the Autumn term 1922.

N. TEESDALE MACKINTOSH, Registrar.

HONGKONG SHAREBROKERS ASSOCIATION.

The above Association will be in force until Noon on the 20th, 21st, 22nd and 25th, February, and rates will be issued at 10 a.m. each day, instead of 10.30 a.m. as usual.

By Order of the Committee,
J. W. KEW, Secretary.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

THE THIRTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on Friday, the 3rd March 1922 at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1921, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, the 22nd February, 1922, until Friday, the 3rd March, 1922, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN TOMES & CO., General Manager,
Hongkong, 17th, Feb., 1922.

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Hongkong, 15th. Feb., 1922.

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THE BOOKSHELF.

(By "Librarian.")

NIETZSCHE'S LETTERS.

The considerable number of British readers acquainted with Nietzsche was probably increased to some extent by the war, during the early stages of which a number of commentators in the Old Country fastened Germany's war-spirit upon the author of "Zarathustra." There was some justification for this attitude, which, however, contained a quantity of exaggeration. Certainly the German poet Gerhart Hauptmann declared rhetorically that every German soldier carried a copy of "Zarathustra" in his knapsack, but it is doubtful whether the German military and still more whether the German nation were assiduous students of Nietzsche, while it is practically certain that he wrote with no intention of prompting Germany to take up arms. Nietzsche, without knowing it, may have supplied a contributory current; he was not the main stream of the German war spirit.

The question of "Nietzsche's reputed responsibility for the world war" is alluded to by Dr. Oscar Levy in his introduction to Selected Letters of Friedrich Nietzsche (Heinemann, 15s.). It is upon an analysis of the philosopher's works that the question must hinge of whether there is really latent in them the doctrine which German academic subservience placed at the disposal of German militarism. Certainly the man himself, with whom we are here concerned, contributed nothing to the latter which ultimately turned the Teutonic brain. He was among the first to detect the servile spirit that had overtaken German scholarship. At the height of Moltke's triumph he was writing to his friends, "Between ourselves I regard the Prussia of to-day as a power full of the greatest dangers for culture. . . . I am gradually losing all sympathy for Germany's present war of conquest." And eighteen years later, "All my instincts have declared war upon Germany," while to Strindberg he says, "You undervalue your good fortune . . . that you are not a German. There is no other culture than that of France; there is nothing to object to it; it is reason itself, it is necessarily the right culture." Nietzsche's failings have at any rate the merit of being personal and not tribal; his rare independence in an age of sycophancy goes far to excuse the excesses of egomania which the provocation of his environment perhaps did not a little to engender. He was in revolt not only against German Chauvinism but against German specialisation.

How far Dr. Levy (who, by the way, has just been banned from England—that is, the individual, not his works) is right in denying symptoms of Nietzsche's impending derangement up to the very eve of the catastrophe it would, perhaps, require a professional medico to decide. Some of his own commendations of "Zarathustra" seem to exceed the farthest limits of paternal partiality.

I have brought the German language to its acme of perfection. After Luther and Goethe there still remained a third step to be taken—just ask yourself, dear old comrade, whether power, suppleness, and euphony have ever before been united in this way in our language.

"The most difficult task comes easily to me, and everything I touch succeeds. . . . I play with a burden that would crush every other mortal." The general inference would be that the man who writes so must be far gone.

The brief correspondence with Strindberg has a peculiar pathos in view of the history of the pair. "You can form an estimate of our intelligence," the Swede writes, "from the fact that they wanted to put me into a nursing home on account of my tragedy." Nietzsche is eager to share the other's good fortune of translation into the languages of Western Europe: "Since it! 'Ecco Homo' is full of the most unheard-of things, and its language is at times in all innocence that of a world-ruler," writes Nietzsche, a number of editions were expected to be sold. Strindberg, however, urges him not to bother about England: "As far as she is concerned, we have to deal with a nation of bigots that has delivered itself up into the hands of its women, and this is tantamount to hopeless decadence," wrote the eminent Scandinavian—in a hurry, as a Britisher would judge.

Nietzsche's claim to having brought the German language to its "acme of perfection" is an extravagance that may be accounted for by the circumstances mentioned above. That he did demonstrate the suppleness of language, developing in the process a style of strangely alluring power, cannot be gainsaid.

"The Quick-step of an Emperor," by George P. Messervy (Grant Richards, 12s. 6d. net) is the rather imperfect execution of a striking episode. The story of the Archduke Maximilian's attempt to establish his Empire in Mexico, ending in his own execution and the lifelong insanity of his widow (who is or until recently was still alive), is as tragic as any in modern history. It is full of dramatic material in its connection with the politics of Napoleon III., in the figures of Bazaine, Father Fischer, the Mexican generals, and the infatuated Imperial pair themselves. But Mr. Messervy does not make the action "march." He has too much dialogue, and unconvincing dialogue; it "hears itself," as the French say.

Few essays on poetry are better known than Shelley's defence, and few less read than Peacock's attack, to which Shelley's work was an answer. The publisher and editor are therefore to be congratulated on the reprint of Peacock's "Four Ages of Poetry" (Blackwell, 4s. 0d. net), together with Shelley's defence and

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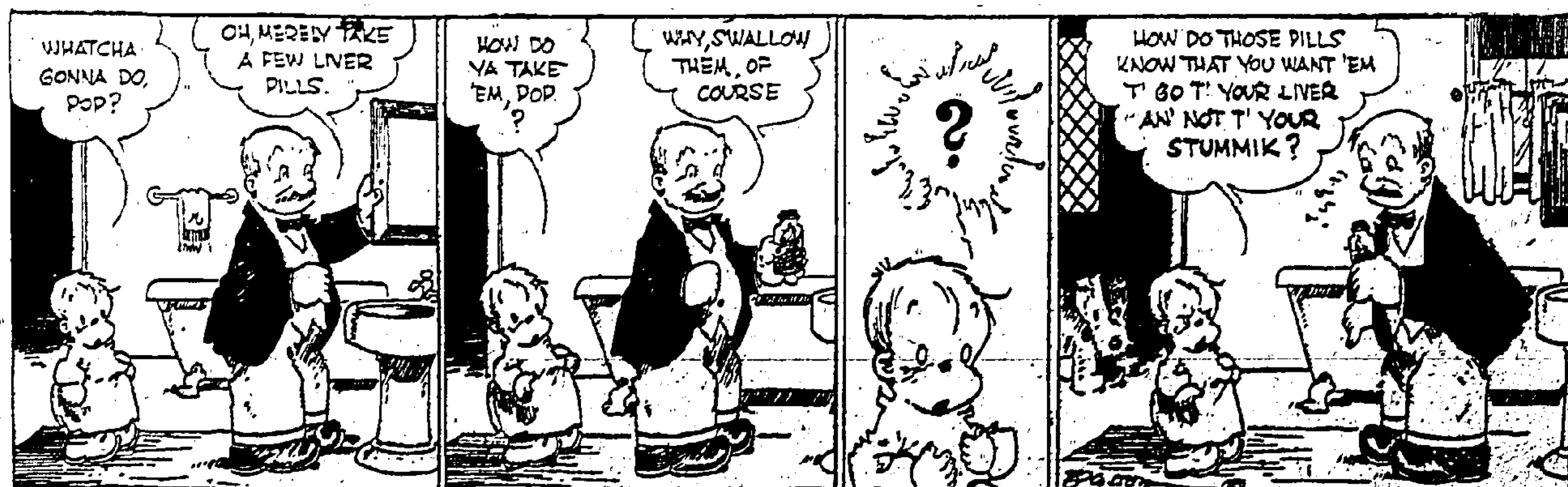
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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1922.

BRITISH NATIONALITY.

An official summary of the proceedings at the Imperial Conference held in London last year contains references to the important subject of the nationality of Britishers born abroad. One of the documents accompanying the summary gives an outline of the law as it stood before the Act which came into force in 1915. This document, prepared for the Conference by the Home Office, defines the difference between *jus soli*, by which every child born in the territory of a State becomes at birth one of its nationals, and *jus sanguinis*, by which nationality is acquired through paternal descent. The former was modified in 1730, when the first generation born abroad of British parents became entitled to British nationality, and again in 1772, when the principle was extended so as to confer the status of British subject upon grandsons born abroad. In practice the latter amendment went further than this. A child born abroad whose father or grandfather was a British subject had the right to claim British nationality, having the option of being registered as a British subject on coming of age. Only the acceptance of foreign nationality by two successive generations broke the link.

When the measure which was passed in 1915 came before Parliament members of the Government asserted that the Bill made no difference to the law, but only codified it. Now we have a Home Office Memorandum declaring that the Act deliberately changes the law which had prevailed for a century and a half. The Act of 1915, says the Memorandum, repealed both the earlier statutes, but in substance re-enacted the Act of 1730, the net result being that British nationality became limited once again to the first generation born abroad. This change, the document proceeds to explain, was introduced upon the recommendation of an Inter-Departmental Committee, which adduced the following reasons: (a) that in normal circumstances the closeness of association with the British Empire of families of British descent in a foreign country tends to diminish with each generation born abroad, more especially if marriages with foreign women take place; and (b) that the transmission of British nationality through successive generations born abroad necessarily and automatically produces many instances of dual nationality in cases where that foreign country possesses the *jus soli*.

Happily, the authorities at Home are realising, though not too promptly, that a mistake has been made. Apparently to their surprise, they learn that in countries such as Japan, the South American republics, Portugal, and Tunis, the British communities during and since the conclusion of hostilities have shown a very marked desire to assert and maintain their British character; and representations are constantly being made to H. M. Government by British subjects born abroad who joined the forces during the war that British nationality ought to be continued beyond the first generation born abroad so as to cover their children. There is no particular reason to suppose that this anxiety of Britishers abroad was due simply to the war; there had not been occasion for anxiety previously, because the Act was not passed until 1915. The important point, however, is that the Imperial authorities have taken cognisance of the grievance, which they propose to remedy by registration at the Consulate in the case of children whose British nationality is not otherwise secured. Some delay may arise in enacting this amendment, as it is proposed to consult all the self-governing Colonies. It is gratifying, however, to see that Britishers abroad are alive to the question, and that the Imperial authorities have taken notice.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

German Competition.

That the Germans are making a strong bid for a recovery of their trade in the Far East is admitted by those who know anything of present conditions and future indications. Although as yet German business houses are not permitted to open up in Hongkong, there are other places in the Orient where they are already doing a considerable business. The time will come, of course, when the Germans will be back here again, and then competition for local business houses will be keener than it now is. Even as things are, British firms here have for some time been feeling the effect of German business operations directed from other ports in the East. As an interesting indication (a small one, admittedly) of this German competition, let us look at the matter of the purchase of a steam roller by the Canton Municipality. According to a report by the Bureau of Public Works in the neighbouring port, the cost of a 16-ton steam roller from England would be \$12,593 (Hongkong currency), from America the quotation would be \$7,500 (gold), whilst a German machine would only cost \$10,935 (Hongkong currency), this to include the expense of setting up the machine. As a result, the Municipality has decided to order the steam roller from Germany. As we say, this is a relatively small matter, but it is sufficient to show that the Germans are getting a grip on the Eastern markets once again.

Canton Shows The Way.

That municipal matters in Canton are in the hands of progressive and enterprising officials is admitted by all who have had occasion to see for themselves the wonderful improvements which have been carried out in and around the city in recent years. And the work is still being pushed on in a quiet but systematic manner. We notice that amongst the latest projected schemes are the construction of a City Hall, at a cost of \$100,000; the erection of a City Library, for which another \$100,000 is to be set aside; the provision of a City Hospital, at a like cost; and the laying out of a second park on Kun Yim Hill for which \$50,000 is to be allocated. The money with which to carry out these undertakings is apparently to be derived from the sale of certain residential areas for building purposes. Here is a matter in which Canton is going one better than Hongkong. The authorities there regard it as the duty of the Government to provide a City Hall and Library, and they are prepared to spend a total of \$200,000 on the buildings. Hongkong has a City Hall and Library which is generally conceded to be a disgrace to the Colony, and yet we hear nothing of Government anxiety either to erect a building worthy of the Colony or to assist others to do so. None the less, the authorities make no bones at voting \$50,000 for the construction of an ornate pavilion, the official use of which will last just two days.

The Prince's Pavilion.

Like all good Britishers, we want Hongkong to do fitting honour to the Prince of Wales when he visits this Colony. So much is due to our popular Hereditary Prince, who has proved himself a real ambassador of Empire. But, in common with many others, we cannot help thinking that it is a shameful waste of public money to spend such a sum on the pavilion. That the building will present a most striking appearance when finished, we have no doubt, but from a utilitarian point of view we regard it as totally unnecessary. Still that cannot be helped now. The point is: What is to become of the structure after the Prince has left us? The Government states that no decision has yet been arrived at, which at any rate inspires the hope that some further use will be made of it. Failing any better idea, we repeat our suggestion that it should remain standing, to be utilised as a temporary city hall and theatre whilst the present building which does duty for this purpose be pulled down and new premises built. The Government and the City Hall trustees would do well to get into communication on the subject in good time for something of this nature to be arranged.

130 NAMES OMITTED FROM MEMORIAL.

It has been discovered that 130 names have been omitted from the list of killed inscribed on Weymouth War Memorial.

DAY BY DAY.

THE MAN WITH TOOTHACHE THINKS EVERYONE HAPPY WHOSE TEETH ARE SOUND.—Bernard Shaw.

The name of Mr. Henry Joseph Pearce has been added to the List of Authorized Architects.

It is notified that the name of the Ying Fat Un Company, Limited, has been struck off the Register.

Professor Danenberg's pupils are to give their eighth annual pianoforte recital at the City Hall on Monday March 6, at 5.30 p.m.

Among those leaving by the Golden State to-day was Mr. Leighton Hope, who has been an American Consul here for five years.

"The Law of the Yukon," the film story of Robert W. Service's great poem of the same name, comes to the Coronet Theatre to-morrow (Sunday) after a very successful run at the Kowloon Theatre.

To the list of Hongkong medical practitioners there has been added the name of Ho Chang, May Hall, University of Hongkong, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery of the University of Hongkong.

The finals of Tennis Tournament of the U. S. R. C. as previously arranged for on last Wednesday and postponed owing to bad weather, will be played on Sunday, the 19th, February, when the Club will be at home to Members and Subscribers and their friends.—Adv.

It is notified that, at the expiration of three months, The Exporters Co-operative Company, Limited, and the Kwong Yick Cotton Yarn Company, Limited, will, unless cause is shown to the contrary, be struck off the Register and the Companies will be dissolved.

It is notified that Mr. Henry Joseph Pearce, Assistant Engineer, has been deputed by His Excellency the Governor in Council to act on behalf of the Building Authority in all cases referred to in sections 205, 206, 207 and 207A of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, Ordinance No. 1 of 1903, in connection with dangerous buildings.

It is notified in the Government Gazette that applications for the British War Medal and the Mercantile Marine War Medal may also be made by any next of kin of deceased members of the British Mercantile Marine, whether British subjects or not, who are now resident in the Colony. Application forms may be obtained at the Mercantile Marine Office.

A pleasing love interest and a brisk adventure element make "In His Own Home Town," the principal attraction at the Kowloon Theatre to-morrow (Sunday) and Monday, a very happy and interesting picture. The story relates the rise to fame of a young man who shows that a tramp can become a powerful newspaper owner if he has enthusiasm and courage.

Mrs. Harry Wood (Miss Maui Fitzstubs) has returned to the Colony after an enjoyable holiday spent in Australia. During her stay in the Antipodes this well-known composer and former resident of Sydney, was commissioned to compose another waltz. This she has done and it is called "The Pearl of the Pacific" and we understand copies of same will be for sale locally in a very short time. During her stay in Sydney Mrs. Wood's has been much entertained and on many occasions she had to oblige by playing many of her old-time favourites particularly "The Heather" and "Orlando" waltzes. Musical folk here will await with pleasure the arrival of her latest composition.

FULL PUBLICITY.

With a view to avoiding misunderstandings of the people respecting the Shantung issue and preventing further inquiries relating to the policy in this connection, it is reported that Dr. W. W. Yen, Minister of Foreign Affairs, has instructed the Foreign Office to arrange all the reports from Washington and the instructions of the Central Government and send them to the provinces for reference.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

Hongkong Referees.

Sir,—I have been very much interested in the football controversy raised in your valuable paper *The Telegraph*. I have read the letters signed "Players" and "Onlooker" re Hongkong Soccer referees, and I note the suggestion made by "Players" that the referees' staff of the Hongkong F.A. should be revised. I have no doubt he believes seriously that revision is necessary and that the referee is generally at fault when anything occurs on the field that may be displeasing to him. He being a player, that is but natural. But I do not see in his letter any sign of a suggestion as to how the sweeping insinuations he makes can be rectified. Does he imply that the present members of the Hongkong F.A. Management Committee are not qualified to select and judge a competent referee, or does he suggest or think that all should be called before a Board of Players, so that the players' ideas of the game should be instilled into them, heedless of the rules governing the game as laid down by the Football Association?

I am not in a position to say that all referees in the Colony are duly qualified referees from their respective Associations at home, but judging from what I have seen of them, I am prepared to believe that all of them carry the ticket as a qualified referee.

duly passed by a competent Board of Examiners set up by their respective Associations. Can "Players" or "Onlooker" suggest anything better than this? "Players" and "Onlooker" ignore the fact that players themselves, on many occasions contribute to the cause of the scenes and the unsatisfactory decisions, their tempers to overcome their sporting feelings for the moment and by committing an indiscretion openly, which calls for action from the referee and with which the player does not concur. I would remind our good friends that the referee is not on the field to teach the players the game of football. He is there as the representative of the F.A. to administer the rules of the game as laid down by that body, and if a player breaks those rules, to punish him accordingly, relative to the gravity of the offence committed. If it were otherwise, and we allowed matters to be decided by the players or the spectators, it would involve engaging a staff to work a ballot box on the field, as there always is a division of opinion concerning vital points in a game.

May I point out to "Players" and "Onlooker" that in my opinion there is one way of getting out of the difficulty and at the same time eliminating the inefficient referee, and I invite them to follow the suggestion in future. That is by writing to the Press, protesting and pointing out where, according to rules of the F.A., the referee made a misinterpretation, thereby showing his ignorance and inefficiency. This would be effective and could not be ignored by the Governing Body. This would serve a double purpose:—(1) Of enlightening the general public concerning the incident in question and inviting their opinions; (2) Give the referee the opportunity of confuting or otherwise publicly answering the charges made.

I am fully convinced that this suggestion would be welcomed by the various referees officiating and the controversy arising would help to educate the followers of the game who do not dig deep into the intricacies of the rules. Might I say, without giving offence, that such a letter as written by "Players" is very vague and does not help the Hongkong F.A. in their present position, with which he expresses his sympathy, but in my opinion he only adds to their difficulties by contributing his fault-finding letter, without making any suggestion for the betterment of affairs.

I have followed the game for more years than I now care to remember, and I have always found the same old feeling amongst partisans of every Club, and which will prevail to the last—we must win, draw, or wrangle, and I expect, it will be so until such time as the lady footballers become strong enough to take matters over, when they will be sure to have their own way, bless them, and no referees will be required!

Yours etc.,
"OLD PLAYER."
Hongkong, Feb. 17, 1922.

"WHAT'S IN A NAME?"

Judgment in Rope Company's Petition.

Can a Company undertake business not mention of which is made in its name? This was a legal point which the Chief Justice (Sir Wm. Roes-Davies) has had to decide in the petition of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, for confirmation of a special resolution altering the memorandum of association of the Company. The Chief Justice has decided that in this case no change of name is required. Petitioners were represented by Mr. C. G. Alabaster. The Chief Justice's judgment was as follows:—

I have already confirmed the alteration of the Company's objects comprised in the Memorandum of Association. I reserved the question for consideration as to whether I should require some alteration in the name of the Company having regard to the proposed extension of its objects.

I gave leave to file further affidavits in support of the application and there is now before me an affidavit of the Chairman of the Company which states (*inter alia*) as follows:—

"The Company has carried on the business of rope manufacturing for nearly 40 years under its present name and it is not the intention of the Company to engage in any new line of business but merely to utilise a portion of the site of the factory which it already possesses for the purpose of investing a part of its reserve funds by building houses thereon. It is not intended to apply any of its capital money in such building but only accumulated profits."

"The land upon which it is proposed to build has been owned by the Company as part of its factory site for many years, but has hitherto not been developed, though it has a long frontage upon Belcher Street and is suitable for the erection of houses thereon."

"Only a small part of the Company's funds, namely, a sum equivalent to about one-tenth of the value of the total assets, will be required for the building of the houses it is proposed to erect. Rope manufacturing will continue to be the essential object of the Company."

"The objection on the part of the Company to the alteration of its name so as to read 'The Hongkong Rope Manufacturing and Estate Company, Limited' or any similar alteration is that customers and shareholders would certainly be led to believe that the Company was endeavouring to carry on in competition with existing companies in Hongkong a class of business different from that which it has hitherto carried on with success."

"It is my opinion that such an idea, in view of the above mentioned facts, would be actually misleading and would certainly cause considerable damage to the reputation of the Company by disturbing that confidence in the management of the Company which, I believe, exists and has existed for many years."

"Now the same question engaged attention of this Court in re The China Fire Insurance Company Limited 9 H.K.L.R. 77. In that case Gompertz J., who heard the application, remarked 'that twenty years ago the policy of the Courts with regard to the alteration of the Company's name was more stringent than it has recently become. An examination of the authorities shows that this is the case, and having regard to the reasons urged in the affidavit of the Chairman, to which I must attach great weight, I am desirous of avoiding the necessity of a change in the Company's name.'"

Since the application was before me in Court, Counsel has drawn my attention to an order recently made by me in the case of the Articles of the Hongkong Hotel Company which contain similar, and as extensive objects, as are comprised in the Petition of this Company. In that case I was satisfied that they were based on the common forms set out in Palmer's Precedents, and these forms now appear to be of general application."

As regards the advantages of this practice, Palmer says "No doubt in the result the objects clause in the memorandum, as now framed, is in many cases unnecessarily long, and states not only what may be called the leading or primary objects, but expressly empowers the Company to do a great many things which, if not expressed, would or might be implied as reasonably incidental to the leading objects. But, after all, it must be borne in mind that the objects clause of the memorandum is intended to be read and understood, and acted on, not merely by lawyers, but by ordinary business men; and such men like to see the powers of the company expressed with fullness and in considerable details, instead of resting in implication."

Numerous authorities demonstrate that it is within the discretion of the Court to sanction alterations which substitute a complete new set of objects in modern form for the old concise and imperfectly expressed objects; and having regard to the reasons urged which I have cited from the Chairman's Affidavit, I am justified, I think, in the interests of the Company in not requiring its name to be changed.

There will be an order in the terms of the Petition.

"FORMAZONE."

Trade Mark Case Settled.

In the remanded summons by Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company against the Connaught Aerated Waters Manufacturers for the use of their trade mark "Formazone," Mr. M. J. D. Stephens, acting for the complainants, this morning at the Police Court, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, asked for a withdrawal, on the ground that an undertaking which had been prepared by him for the destruction of the existing labels and the surrender of the printing paraphernalia as well as for the payment of damages and legal expenses incidental to the case, had been signed by the defendants.

Mr. M. K. Lo, for the defence, said that the defendants were respectable and well-known manufacturers of aerated waters, and it is due to them, he thought, that he should explain to the Court the circumstances in which they had come to make use of a name which apparently was the subject of a trademark registered by their competitor, Messrs. A. S. Watson & Co. The letters on the labels used by the defendants were plainly put forward in both English and Chinese to indicate the name of the manufacturers and the make-up of the contents, which he understood was something in the nature of "champagne" stuff. What the defendants were left in ignorance was that the word "formazone" was not descriptive as is the case of "lemonade," "orange-water," "ginger ale," and what-not, but was, in point of fact, a trade-mark registered in the Colony. In these days of strenuous competition, the defendants thought that they must also manufacture this brand of aerated water to keep within the mark, and, without thinking that they were infringing on a trademark, they used the word "formazone" as a name word. Without wishing to waste the time of the Court, the defendants were willing to settle the case without further proceedings. They had shown a spirit of compromise and had agreed to and had signed an undertaking. Had the case continued further, they would satisfy his Worship that no criminal intent was shown in the use of the word. It was inconceivable that with the extensive business they put through, there was any intention to conceal the label, which must sooner or later be detected by Messrs. Watson. His clients had not the slightest intention to put such bottles under their bed and have an enjoyable drink after dinner.

Mr. Stephens said that with regard to the word "Formazone" (which Mr. Lo referred to as being the only objectionable word in the label), the style and flourish were identical in every letter with that used by Messrs. Watson on their well-known drink. The compensation of \$100 given by the defendants was not sufficient to cover the damage done to the value of the trade-mark.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell said he thought that the defendants used the label without any thought of its application to the trademark question. He hoped the newspapers would give publicity to the case and in so doing safeguard the trade-mark in the future.

Mr. Lo interrupted Mr. Stephens at one point in his arguments to state that the management of the Connaught Aerated Water Company were respectable people, being in fact graduates from the local University.

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SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1922.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK.

TO-DAY'S ANNUAL MEETING.

BRIGHTER WORLD CONDITIONS FORESHADOWED.

China's Political and Financial Chaos.

The ordinary yearly general meeting of the shareholders of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation was held in the City Hall at noon to-day. Mr. G. T. Edkins presided and there were also present the Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr, Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Messrs. G. M. Dodwell, W. L. Pattenden, J. A. Plummer, D. G. M. Bernard, H. E. White (Directors); Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen (Chief Manager), Mr. A. H. Barlow (Local Manager), Mr. V. M. Grayburne (Chief Accountant), Sir Ellis Kedourie, Sir Paul Chater, Rev. Father Robert, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, Dr. Sanders, Messrs. Lau Chung-wan, Cheong Man-hing, Fung Kung-on, A. W. Smith, J. H. Taggart, A. D. Gee, A. V. Apcar, H. M. H. Nemasee, R. A. Dastur, Mok Kon-sang, Mok Mun-gee, Tsoi Kung-po, Ho Kum-tong, Ho Fook, Lau Cheung-shiu, Chan Siu-ki, Mrs. F. M. Lafrentz, Mrs. Lennox-Potter, Miss E. Addis, G. H. Potts, J. M. de Castro Basto, R. M. Dyer, M. Manok, P. Tester, Lo Cheung-ip, H. W. Bird, A. S. Ellis, Chow Ngan-ting, O. I. Ellis, A. M. Bowes-Smith, C. A. da Rosa, Ho Wing, J. F. Grosse, A. P. Samy, Lo Man Hing, F. Smythe, C. E. H. Beavis, R. Hancock, F. Bavington, A. Denison, G. Grimble, G. W. Barton, L. Dunbar, Chan Shu-ming, A. B. Stewart, J. Bell-Irving, T. W. Hill, C. A. Hooper, D. J. Lewis, Fong Land, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, G. M. Dalgaty, G. B. Dunnett, R. Bruce, W. E. van Eps, D. Cooper, Ho Leung, J. McCarthy, S. M. Chubb, M. M. Northcote, T. E. Pearce, E. J. Chapman, W. L. Leask, G. B. Layton, S. H. Dutton, D. V. Stevenson, E. M. Raymond, P. V. Botelho, P. K. Kwok, T. S. Forrest, W. E. L. Shenton, G. F. Lammert, C. G. Adams, G. C. Moxon, J. R. Kinghorn, E. M. French, E. M. Wood, F. R. J. Adams, H. Hancock, E. L. Sim, J. E. Joseph and F. C. Hall (shareholders).

The Chief Manager having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman said:—Ladies and Gentlemen.—The report and statement of accounts having been in your hands for some time, I will follow the usual procedure and take them as read.

I am glad to announce that the new issue of 40,000 shares was readily subscribed and the premium on them, viz. £2,000,000 and \$630,281.71, were brought into the accounts during the closing months of the year. I think the decision to issue these shares at £70 has been amply justified by the result. The statement shows a net profit for the year of \$10,821,295.42 compared with \$8,841,166.30 for 1920. In June we made an interim distribution of £3 per share and, subject to your approval, we propose to distribute a final dividend of £3 and a bonus of £2 per share on the old shares, and a corresponding dividend and bonus on the new shares, viz. £2.5/- and 15/-. I am sure you approve of the policy we propose to continue, viz. the strengthening of the Silver Reserve, and we have allotted to that Reserve \$1,369,718.29 from the year's profits and \$630,281.71 from the premium on the new shares, making the Silver Reserve \$23,500,000.

Gilt-edged securities in which part of our reserves are invested, have shown considerable appreciation during the year. The market value of our gold investments now shows a handsome surplus over the value at which they stand in our books. No provision for depreciation has therefore been necessary on this occasion. Our profits have suffered, in common with those of every British Joint Stock Bank, for some years past from the depreciation of these gilt-edged securities, which are necessary in our business, but I think that in view of the considerable margins we now have in hand, there are substantial grounds for hope that we may have seen the last of these annoying calls on our earnings.

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Bank's Valuable Property.

Turning to the balance sheet, you will observe there has been a considerable increase in the item of Bank property. My predecessor in this chair foreshadowed this increase. Since we met last year, new offices have been completed and occupied at Canton, Manila, Bangkok, Dairen and Sungai Patani, while Harbin Office and additions to Head Office are on the point of completion. Seven dwelling houses for the staff at Singapore and Penang were also completed. Building operations are now in progress at Shanghai, Calcutta, Singapore, Johore and Colombo. Although the total cost will be rather formidable, your Directors are convinced that the policy of providing ample accommodation for the future requirements of our business is a sound one. At the same time, thanks to the purchases made by the Bank in the earlier years of its history, it is now possessed of property of immense value in the principal ports of Asia.

Meanwhile we propose to allot \$1 million from the year's profit to writing down Property A/C. We carry forward to next year \$3,331,778.59 compared with \$3,291,491.69 a year ago.

With regard to the other figures, the rate of exchange at which the sterling equivalents of our silver assets and liabilities, and vice versa, is calculated, is 2/7, against 3/2 at the end of 1920, so comparisons with previous years are not altogether easy.

The outstanding features are decreases in Bills Payable, Acceptance A/c Constituents and Bills Receivable, and an increase in Sterling investments—which increase, apart from new investments account the sterling Reserve, is mainly in short date British Government Treasury Bills. These fluctuations are eloquent of the great falling off of overseas trade, which statistics from all parts of the world indicate is 35 to 50 per cent. below the figures of 1920. The figures of our Bills of Exchange in hand and rediscounted faithfully reflect this. We may have to wait some months before we can fully employ that part of our resources which is temporarily held in Treasury Bills, but I think we have good reason to expect that the gradual improvement in trade will soon enable us to find a better use of these resources than Treasury Bills.

On the other hand, local business in the East has been prosperous; local Companies generally have done well. Our silver deposits have increased considerably, as have our Bills Discounted, Loans & Credits, and there has been a good demand for currency locally involving a considerable increase in our note issue.

The Bank's Profits.

Net profits are \$1,980,129.12 in excess of those of a year ago. Apart from the earnings of the new capital, three factors have helped towards this favourable result: one I have already mentioned, viz. the fact that no inroads on the profits have been necessary for writing down our securities; another is the activity in local trade in the East; the third and most important is that the full effect of the slump in trade was not felt till the second half of the year. During the first half we were still deriving benefit from the enormous trade of 1920. We have had to contend with constantly varying world exchanges, but our operations have been fortunate and otherwise the earning power of the Bank rests on very solid foundations. All losses that have been ascertained

or anticipated have been amply provided for out of the year's earnings.

We have again to record our appreciation of the zealous and loyal service of the staff from the Chief Manager downward, which service, in view of the difficult year we have passed through, specially merits your recognition, and I am sure you will heartily approve of our action in awarding them a moderate bonus of 15% on their salaries.

The Silver Market.

The silver market during the year has not been free from substantial fluctuations. The price at the beginning of 1921 was 40.7/8 and at the end of the year 34.5/8, having been down to 31.3/8 and up to 43.3/8 in the interval. China, as far as we can make out from the somewhat unreliable statistics available, absorbed on balance 0.63 millions compared with 0.98, 1.3 millions in 1920. In the Budget speech of the Governor General of Indo China, it was disclosed that that Government had purchased 0.24 1/2 millions during the year in the different markets of the world for the purpose of enabling it to resume specie payments, which has since been done. Our French neighbours are to be congratulated on having thus arranged their currency and on having carried out the large operation of buying 0.24 1/2 millions of silver with so little disturbance to the market. Undoubtedly, however, this extra demand was the main factor which kept the market steady during the summer and autumn months.

The Indian Government has silver reserves of about 74 crores of rupees, and should therefore be out of the market for many years. The immediate future of silver depends on the requirements of China and of the Indian bar—both very uncertain factors.

The United States Government is steadily carrying out the terms of the Pittman Act. Up to the middle of last December their purchases of domestic silver amounted to 0.284,800,000 out of the total of 0.208,000,000 required by that Act. If they continue to progress at this rate, it will take about two years from now to complete the operation. After that the domestic production of the U.S. will come on the market on the same terms as silver produced elsewhere. There should then be an overabundance of the metal, and it is very likely the Government, including our own, which have abandoned their old silver currencies, for unsightly substitutes, will regret their action.

World Markets.

Trade and the money markets all over the world are still in a state of disorganisation, but there are encouraging signs that a more rational mood is beginning to prevail among workers, and the British Government at last appears to be contemplating taking drastic steps towards economies in administration. We should therefore, within a reasonable time, reach a healthier condition of affairs than prevailed during the years immediately following the Great War. The London money market is now about normal. A great number of home and Colonial loans have recently been successfully floated there. In the months of November and December alone, 280 millions sterling of new issues were placed. It looks certain that all Government restrictions will soon be removed, and that London will be free to all borrowers and will resume its place as the unquestioned chief financial centre of the world. In this connection it is gratifying to record an appreciation of the pound sterling compared with gold of nearly 19 per cent during 1921. It may be appropriate to mention here that when China again appears in the foreign markets as a large borrower, which must be sooner or later, it is absolutely sure that London will be able to absorb as large a share of Chinese finance and on as favourable terms as can be obtained elsewhere.

China's External Trade.

The external trade of China and all other Eastern countries has suffered in common with the rest

of the world, and the year has been an unprofitable one for most merchants engaged in it. Very large losses have been realised on the expensive import goods ordered in 1919, but it is gratifying to know that these have been in a large measure liquidated, especially in North China, and that new and profitable business has been considerably in evidence in recent months. Hongkong, although satisfactory progress has been made in the liquidation of old stocks, has not been quite so fortunate. Our very important market—Kwongsi—has been in a disturbed condition during most of the year, and is still suffering extensively from brigandage and piracy, as is in a lesser degree our neighbour, Kwangtung. The Authorities of these two provinces have our best wishes for success in their efforts to restore peace and order.

Reverting to North China, the cotton industry continues to make rapid strides. It is estimated that over 2 million spindles and 9,500 looms are in operation, and it is certain that as time goes on China will herself supply a great proportion of her requirements for the coarser grades of cloth.

As regards the export trade of China, it has suffered generally from the world conditions, and particularly from the fighting and floods in the Yangtze Valley last summer; there has been no particular development in it calling for remark. I will refer to political conditions later on.

In Japan, as elsewhere, overseas trade figures for 1921 show a very considerable falling off, as compared with those of 1920. New business in imports has been hampered by the still considerable unsold stocks of high-priced imports carried over from 1919 and 1920, although appreciable progress in their liquidation has been made during the year.

On the export side, raw silk and silk goods have found good markets in the United States, but Japanese exports to other countries show a heavy decline, due to various causes of which high manufacturing costs are not the least, and unless same can be very considerably reduced, the prospects of an early improvement in the export trade of the country are not very bright.

In the Straits the disastrous slump in their two principal products, tin and rubber, has had effects that are only too notorious, but the Government and the merchants are handling the situation courageously, and we have no doubt whatever but that these two industries will soon adjust themselves to the new conditions.

From Bad to Worse.

Of the political and financial conditions in China during 1921, I am afraid it can only be said that they have grown steadily worse. The reckless and imprudent policy of the past is now bearing its inevitable fruits; and, for the first time, with an empty treasury and an exhausted credit the Peking Government has been unable to meet the service of publicly issued foreign loans concluded in recent years, without the safeguards, in respect to security which were wisely regarded as indispensable in the past. The total debt of China, internal and external, taking the £1 at an exchange of \$7.50, is estimated to be not less than \$1,800,000,000 of which \$364,000,000 is for the most part entirely unsecured. Of this latter figure, \$210,000,000 represents foreign debt, and \$154,000,000 debts to native banks and individuals, arrears of pay due to government departments and the like. The salt revenue surplus available, after providing for the loans directly secured on the salt revenue, has been pledged for some of these obligations to the extent of \$74,000,000, a sum representing at least 18 months of the average surplus available in normal times, which, in the present disorganised state of the country, is almost the sole source which the Peking Government can look to for its current administrative expenses. The country is still being forced, by the exactions of political and military rivalries, to continue the struggle of maintaining, or attempting to maintain, a standing army exceeding in

numbers the combined armies of all the other Powers who have recently been sitting in conference for the discussion of disarmament. The constant demands on the two Government banks for funds with which to meet the ever pressing needs of the militarists depleted their reserves to an extent which recently seriously threatened the solvency of their northern branches. The same is true of every branch of the administration: education is at a standstill for lack of funds, railways have been neglected of their revenues to satisfy the general need, and are unable to meet payment of their contracts for materials, and the Ministry of Communications, which was once the wealthiest of all the Government departments, is now as straitened for funds as the rest. In striking contrast to this financial confusion stand out the older foreign loans secured upon specific revenues, administered under foreign supervision; they afford proof of the value of such supervision, and an indication of the only lines on which China can recover her credit and financial stability. China, in fact, has no justification for not paying her debts; no country with the area, natural resources and population of China, and with a national debt of only \$450 or twelve shillings a head, should place itself in the position of being called insolvent. On the contrary, China's credit is capable of immense expansion, and there is no lack of native and foreign capital available for the development of the country so soon as conditions of security and good government are restored, and it rests with the people of China to accomplish this.

The Maritime Customs collection for 1921 amounted to Tls. 54,500,000, an increase of Tls. 5,000,000, above the previous record collection of 1920. With one minor exception, every treaty port shows an increased collection, a fact which bears eloquent testimony to the vitality of foreign trade in spite of the disturbed state of the country, and to the certainty of an immense expansion were these adverse conditions removed.

The total salt revenue paid into the Group Banks, after deducting administrative expenses, was \$77,975,000 or a decrease of \$1,069,000 compared with \$79,064,000 in the year 1920. As a matter of fact the actual collections were greater than in 1920, but certain extra departmental expenditures were incurred during the year. Of the total sum of \$77,975,000 some \$15,452,000 were retained by local authorities including those in Kwangtung, Szechuan, Yunnan and Hunan.

The collection of duty by the Department in the Swatow area, which was voluntarily discontinued in January, 1919, owing to the introduction of objectionable monopolies by the Canton authorities, was resumed with effect from the 1st November, 1921, but the revenue is retained by the Canton authorities as in the rest of the province.

The actual amount released for the general purposes of the Chinese Government during the year amounted to \$31,961,000 as compared with \$10,108,000 in 1920.

Owing to the financial position and the fall in exchange, the Reserve for the Service of the Reorganisation Loan in the Group Banks was increased during the year from \$5,000,000 to \$7,000,000.

China's Sorrows.

We have heard a great deal about "justice for China" and the "restoration of sovereign rights" to which her place among the nations entitles her, and we must all of us sympathise with these

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THREE natural and legitimate aspirations; but, before she can convincingly press these claims, China must first do justice to herself, and to the patient and industrious masses who have silently suffered under the misgovernment of the past few years. Let her leaders abandon political rivalries, and unite the country under one government, reduce her army to an efficient force, commensurate with the modern needs of defence and the maintenance of internal order, and introduce reform and honesty into her administration, and China will then not need to press for recognition of her claims. Such recognition will be spontaneous, and the assistance of her foreign friends will always be at her command on terms consistent with her national self-respect, and with the consideration due to the susceptibilities of a great people.

The Consortium.

One other matter I may possibly be expected to refer to is the Consortium. I have little to add to what my predecessor said in some detail at the last meeting. In the interval Consortium matters have furnished the press of the Far East with a good deal of copy and there have appeared re-stated and somewhat unnecessary explanation of its aims and objects. These are, and have been from the first, entirely obvious to every intelligent Chinese public man. They should require no elucidation, and in my opinion unnecessary and gratuitous explanations possibly do nothing but create an atmosphere of suspicion and distrust in Chinese circles. We are as convinced as ever of the necessity in present circumstances of international co-operation in Chinese financial affairs. We believe we are serving the best interest of the Chinese people by declining to support any particular faction and by preventing recourse to further recklessness in borrowing foreign capital for unproductive purposes. In the words of the resolution adopted at the Washington Conference, China must be provided with the fullest and most unobstructed opportunity to develop and maintain for herself an effective and stable Government.

In the meantime the Consortium is prepared to give the most cordial and effective assistance to China whenever it is called upon to do so, by co-operating with Chinese Banks in any well-considered scheme for funding the floating debt of China by the issue of internal loans in silver, or by raising foreign capital on approved terms for construction purposes. It may take a long time to form an effective and stable government, but I myself see no reason why, in the important field of railway enterprise, for example, the development of China should be held up for an indefinite period of years, perhaps for a generation, while a new political system is being evolved in this vast country. It is, in my judgment, for Chinese public opinion to pronounce how soon the knowledge and resources of the Consortium are to be utilised for the country's good. If it should be decided that any autonomous province or group of provinces should be entitled to invoke the aid which it has hitherto been the principle of the Consortium to withhold from a divided country, the question might then come up for consideration whether in such circumstances it might not be possible to devise means to resume work on and complete as separate undertakings the more clamant demands for railway construction in China and to raise Chinese as well as foreign capital for that purpose.

Sir Paul Chater's Speech.

Sir Paul Chater, in seconding, said:—Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen.—In August, 1912, I had the honour to second the adoption of the report presented to the 94th Ordinary Half-Yearly General Meeting of this Bank, and it affords me very great pleasure to have the privilege of doing so again at this our one hundred and sixth Meeting. The profits on that occasion amounted to \$2,915,919.73 for the half year, while to-day they reach the magnificent total of \$10,821,295.42 for the year—a sufficient evidence I think, gentlemen, of the steady progress and prosperity of our institution. The publication of the annual report of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, and still more of the Chairman's speech thereon, is an event awaited with eager expectation not only by the shareholders and the public resident in the Colony, but I think I may say without exaggeration by the whole financial world. It has been our good fortune for many years past to find therein material for very pleasant reading, and in all our history perhaps none more pleasant than now that before us, with its net profit for the year standing at so handsome a figure, a figure which deserves without stint our heartiest congratulations to the Court of Directors, the Chief Manager, Managers and every individual member of our staff, and I am sure we all heartily concur in the proposed bonus to staff.

I am sure you will all agree with our Chairman, in his statement that the decision to issue new capital was a wise one and has been amply justified by the result, particularly as the issue was made at a very reasonable price and that thereby the Bank has brought its resources to a figure that compares most favourably with the greatest Banks of the world. The allocation of the premium derived therefrom to the Sterling Reserve is, I think, sound policy, while it is eminently satisfactory to note that no provision for depreciation of sterling and other gold securities has been necessary and that in spite of the continued dullness of overseas trade, our net profits bulk so large.

The continuance of a cautious but liberal policy in the encouragement of local enterprise and overseas trade is the policy which our Bank has pursued throughout its career; it is satisfactory to note a gradual improvement in local trade, which we trust may long continue.

It is undoubtedly pleasant to note the steady appreciation of the pound sterling and the consequent resumption by London of its place as the chief financial centre of the world, a resumption which cannot but be materially assisted by the drastic economies now being carried out or contemplated by the Home Government and the general improvement in conditions prevailing at Home.

That China's financial and political condition is to-day in a very precarious state must be obvious to all, nor can we look for any improvement so long as the present struggle continues. Nevertheless I have not yet lost faith in the possibility of her recovery. With so large a territory and so large a population, once given a stable Government all things are possible to her. Her vast mineral wealth alone has as yet been scarcely exploited, railway development is still in its infancy, while many other of her vast resources remain to all intents dormant. We have but to look at the Chinese Maritime Customs and the Salt Gabelle to realize her possibilities under sound foreign supervision, so that there is no reason why under like conditions, China should not attain to the recovery of her credit and financial stability and take a leading position among the commercial nations of the world, nor have I any doubt but that on the cessation of her present suicidal policy she will speedily regain the confidence and goodwill of her foreign friends.

I am in entire agreement with the Chairman's remarks about the Consortium, and regret that it has not been possible for it to make a commencement with its functions. To the man in the street it would appear that it has not been handled out here in a very judicious manner. We have been interested in Chinese loans for over forty years, and the Bank has been instrumental in putting through a large amount of business on terms satisfactory to the Chinese and to the public, and we have hitherto been unaccustomed to the glaring publicity which has been in evidence in the affairs of this new Consortium. In this publicity it appears to me that there has been displayed a lack of knowledge of Chinese affairs and Chinese mentality, and, as the Chairman has said, no other effect has been produced by this policy except suspicion and distrust among Chinese circles.

The Report and Accounts were unanimously adopted.

On the proposition of Mr. Lo Chung, seconded by Mr. F. C. Hall, the appointment of Mr. D. G. M. Bernard and Mr. H. P. White as Directors was confirmed and the Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Mr. G. T. Edkins and Mr. A. S. Gubbay were re-elected Directors.

On the proposition of Mr. G. W. Barton, seconded by Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. F. Maitland and Mr. E. A. M. Williams were re-elected auditors.

The Chairman announced that dividend warrants would be ready on Monday.

At the conclusion of the above meeting an extraordinary meeting was held. The Chief Manager having read the notice convening the meeting, I now beg to second the adoption of the report and accounts.

The Chairman said:—It has become desirable to apply to the Government to amend the Ordinance under which we are working for two purposes:—

(1) To enable us to further increase our capital from time to time from the present total of \$20,000,000 (now paid up) to a limit which we propose to put at \$50,000,000, and

(2) To make some modifications in the conditions which govern our note issues, particularly as regards the security deposited with the Crown Agents and others in respect of such issues.

As regards the first matter the shareholders' action has already been given the necessary consideration.

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DEVELOPING NORTHERN AUSTRALIA.

Strong Opposition to Coloured Labour.

Sydney, February 17. The South Wales Premier, Mr. Dooley, in a speech, urged Labour to combat with the utmost vigour the suggested introduction of coloured labour into Northern Australia, a proposal which has now assumed significance.

[Mr. Barwell, the South Australian Premier, recently suggested the admission of approved Asiatics.]

AUSTRALIAN TRADE WITH CHINA.

Commonwealth Sending Senator to Investigate.

Melbourne, February 19. The Commonwealth Government is sending Senator Bakhap to China to enquire into conditions of trade with Australia.

[Mr. E. S. Little, whom the Commonwealth last year appointed as Trade Commissioner at Shanghai, has just resigned.]

HOLLAND REJECTS LOCAL OPTION.

The Hague, February 17. The First Chamber rejected by 18 votes to 17 a local option drink traffic Bill.

GERMANY PAYS ANOTHER INSTALMENT.

Paris, February 17. Germany has paid M. 31,000,000 (gold), being the fourth instalment under the Cannes arrangement.

CHILDREN'S BALLOT ON FAMOUS PEOPLE.

Six Candidates Selected By Proportional Representation.

A series of ballots on the proportional representation system have been made by the Juvenile Guilds of the Royal Arsenal Co-operative Society in order to select six famous people for the guild's commemoration days.

Twenty names had been nominated by the children themselves, and after several ballots for the purpose of weeding out the less popular candidates, the following were declared successful:—

Nurse Cavell, 110, first elected. Ernest Shackleton, 110, second elected. Will Crooks, 110, third elected. Florence Nightingale, 110, fourth elected. Robert Owen, 110, fifth elected. William Shakespeare, 110, sixth elected.

Charles Dickens was declared runner-up.

Nurse Cavell obtained more than the necessary quota in the first ballot. There were 763 "electors," and only 20 spoilt paper. The children marked their voting cards in a most intelligent manner.

tion for this having been passed last year when the new issue was sanctioned at the Extraordinary General Meeting held on the 28th May—so that it is not necessary to trouble you now with that. It is the other matter which I have now to bring before you and which I will endeavour briefly to explain.

The increase of the capital has made it necessary to re-arrange the limit of the ordinary note issue and the security we deposit with the Government against the same and the excess note issue. These modifications are set out in the resolution, which also includes a provision enabling us to keep a certain proportion of our reserves at the offices where notes are actually issued. Formerly we had to keep the whole of our reserves either with the Hongkong Government or with the Crown Agents for the Colonies—an arrangement which might at times be obviously inconvenient. We have taken steps to ascertain that these proposals will be favourably entertained by the Hongkong Government and the Secretary of State, and a draft Bill has already been prepared embodying them which has been tentatively approved, and if you sanction our proceeding with it, it can be promulgated in the Gazette next week, as required before introduction into the Legislative Council.

Sir Ellis K. Dooley seconded the resolution, which was carried unanimously.

THE RACES.

This Morning's Gallops.

The very heavy rain which fell last night led to keen disappointment among the owners this morning, for it meant that the grass track was put out of use. All during the past week the work has been done on the sand course, but it was expected yesterday that the race-track proper

would be open this morning. The sand had to be used and was distinctly on the heavy side, though some very fair times were recorded. Elsewhere in this issue our correspondent "Wireless" gives his fancies for Monday. There was a large crowd present at the course this morning,

in spite of the unpromising weather conditions. Among those present was Lady Stubbs, but her ladyship arrived just a little too late to witness the gallop of His Excellency's pony Don. The times recorded this morning were:—

PONY'S NAME	Distance	1/4 Mile	1/2 Mile	3/4 Mile	1 Mile	1 1/4 Miles	1 1/2 Miles	1 3/4 Miles	Last quarter
Churchill	1	38	1.15.4	1.51.2	2.35.2	—	—	—	34
Lighting	1	34	1.07.3	1.40.3	—	—	—	—	33.1
Scamperdale	1	34	1.05	—	—	—	—	—	31
Hongkong Chief	1	30	1.02.2	—	—	—	—	—	32.2
Jay Bird	1	34.4	1.05.3	—	—	—	—	—	30.4
Sun Star	1	34	1.06.2	1.37.3	—	—	—	—	31.1
The Dunlin	1	35	1.10.2	1.43	—	—	—	—	33
New Year's Gift	1	32.2	1.06.2	1.42.3	2.21.4	—	—	—	39.1
Spotted Sand	1	34.2	1.08.2	1.40	—	—	—	—	31.3
Fighting King	1	37	1.08	—	—	—	—	—	31
White Star Dahlia	1	34.3	1.10	1.49	2.22.2	2.55.2	—	—	33
West River	1	33.3	1.08	1.40.3	—	—	—	—	32.3
Pawnshop	1	35	1.08.2	1.40.2	—	—	—	—	32
Ajax	1	36	1.11	1.44.3	2.16.2	—	—	—	31.4
Lenjan	1	33.3	1.09.1	1.45	2.19.2	—	—	—	34.2
Bolshevik	1	34	1.07	1.39.3	—	—	—	—	32.3
Roman Dusk	1	37	1.12	1.48.2	—	—	—	—	36.2
King Harry	1	35	1.09	—	—	—	—	—	33
Kinsha	1	37.3	1.12.4	1.49	2.25	2.57.2	—	—	33.2
Dunoon	1	34	1.07	1.40.2	—	—	—	—	33.2
Empire Dahlia	1	35	1.10	1.47	2.22.3	2.52.3	—	—	30
Sportsman Dahlia	1	33.2	1.06	1.38.3	—	—	—	—	32.3
Flying Mouse	1	35	1.11	1.46	—	—	—	—	35
Zanjan	1	42.2	1.22	2.01	—	—	—	—	39
Totashop	1	37.3	1.14	1.46.3	—	—	—	—	32.3
Manhattan	1	40	1.18	1.53.3	—	—	—	—	35.3
Wallaby and Kangaroo	1	35	1.09	1.42.2	—	—	—	—	33.2
The Amner	1	34	1.09.1	1.42.3	—	—	—	—	33.2
Roman Pride & Roman Dawn	1	37	1.11.1	1.41.3	—	—	—	—	30.2
Hope Dahlia	1	33.4	1.08.4	1.44	2.15	—	—	—	31
Stephanotis	1	35	1.09	1.44.2	2.16.4	—	—	—	32.2
Speckled Mouse	1	35.3	1.10.3	1.42.2	—	—	—	—	31.4
Gabriel Jinks	1	31.3	1.05.2	—	—	—	—	—	33.4
Shetko Chief	1	34	1.05	—	—	—	—	—	32
Defiance Dahlia	1	36.4	1.13	1.47.2	—	—	—	—	34.2
The Don	1	33	1.06.4	1.41.2	—	—	—	—	34.3
Sir Colin	1	37	1.13.1	1.45.3	—	—	—	—	32.2
Bullfinch	1	33.2	1.09	1.44	2.18.3	—	—	—	34.3
Adversariat & Fish Shop	1	32	1.05.4	—	—	—	—	—	33.4
Sovereign Dahlia	1	32	1.04.4	1.38.4	—	—	—	—	34
Honesty Dahlia	1	36	1.10.1	1.45.3	2.19	2.51.4	—	—	32.4
Mountain Goat	1	36	1.11	—	—	—	—	—	35
Robbie Doo & Ashes	1	33.2	1.08	1.41.3	—	—	—	—	33.3
Jewel Dahlia & Wild Fire	1	35	1.09.1	1.43.2	2.20	—	—	—	36.3
Dahlia	1	37	1.13.2	1.49	2.22.2	—	—	—	33.2
Floam	1	37	1.12.1	1.46.3	2.19.1	—	—	—	32.3
Mosaic Tile	1	32	1.03.4	—	—	—	—	—	31.4
Mullum in Parvo	1	35	1.10.4	1.46.3	2.20.3	—	—	—	34
Sincerity Dahlia	1	37	1.12	1.46.2	—	—	—	—	34.2
Kilmarnock & Kilwinning	1	39	1.14	1.50.2	—	—	—	—	36.2
Muzz & Whistling Rufus	1	35	1.10	1.46	—	—	—	—	36
Bajardo & Arvakur	1	38	1.11.2	1.44	—	—	—	—	32.3
Delight Dahlia	1	33	1.05.3	—	—	—	—	—	33.3
Independent Jimmy	1	40	1.19	1.55	2.30	—	—	—	34
Goldfinch	1	33	1.08	1.40.3	—	—	—	—	32.3
Sceptic Dahlia	1	33	1.08	1.40.3	—	—	—	—	32.3

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO.

A Glance at our Files.

(Feb. 13-19, 1897.)

BANK CAPITAL.

A proclamation is published in the *Gazette* declaring that the fixed capital of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank is \$10,000,000.

CHURCH BODY.

The Government *Gazette* notifies to-day that at a meeting of St. John's Cathedral seasholders, held on the 29th. ultimo, the following gentlemen were elected by members of the Church Body for 1897:—Sir John W. Carrington, Kt., C.M.G., Hon. F. A. Cooper, Hon. Commander R. M. Runsey, R. N., Captain Lethbridge, T. Jackson, Hon. Treasurer, E. Osborne, Hon. Secretary, W. Macbean, Auditor.

SARCASTIC!

Things pertaining to the Government of Hongkong are frequently in a topsyturvy state, if popular opinion is to be relied upon, and a copy of the Government *Gazette* for 13th. February certainly bears out the statement. The copy in question is all that can be desired in the way of printing, with the exception that pages 84 and 85 are printed upside down. As these two pages contain the means of the spectroscopic rainband, and the rate of the Dent Serial Standard Clock as recorded by the Observatory during 1896, it has struck our office boy that they are intended to indicate the position assumed by the Observatory officials when making these observations. If this is the case, will the sanitary authorities please take the hint and, assuming the same dignified position, perambulate the mud flat bounding old Pedder's Wharf? We feel convinced that they would be

better able to appreciate the pestilential odours of the mud in this position and the public might possibly benefit from the result of the experiment.

A RECORD RUN.

The French Mail liner *Natal* has put up a record for the run from Shanghai to Hongkong that will be very hard to beat, even in these days of "lightning speed," "ocean greyhounds," motor cars, and bikes. She left Shanghai at 10 a.m. on Saturday, the 13th. instant, and to the surprise of everybody who saw her gracefully ploughing through the placid waters of the Colony yesterday afternoon, she was made fast to the Co's buoy at 6 o'clock last night, having made the run down from buoy to buoy in 55 hours. Captain Chevalier and his Chief Engineer have been heartily congratulated on the smart work, and the *Telegraph* is by no means reluctant to also recognise this noteworthy achievement.

A CUTE DODGE.

The latest method adopted by the Chinese beggar for obtaining money takes after the Western to a great extent. The operator selects a likely looking group of Europeans and politely inquires if any of them are engineers. Should the answer be in the affirmative he states that he is a freeman out of a berth and asks a little help to tide him over his difficulties. If none of them are engineers, however, he expresses his regret at none being present, but is sure that English gentlemen would never allow a distressed seaman to starve. Even if this appeal proves futile he is not discouraged, but immediately becomes a persecuted Christian, readily embracing any denomination suggested. Such man should certainly make a first-rate diplomatist.

A RACE DREAM.

Rumour has it that a well-known local "sport" has been

dreaming of the Races to good account. He did not dream of a pony's name in the orthodox manner, but saw the field sweep past the winning post and recognized the rider of the leading horse. As usually happens in these cases, he thought no more of his dream till the morning of the Race, when it recurred to him and he immediately backed the rider he had seen in the dream and cleared a substantial dividend. So far he appears to have been the only fortunate one, as every one else seems to have dropped fifty dollars.

ACTION AGAINST SUN YAT-SEN.

A curious sequel is reported to the Sun Yat-sen kidnapping case in London last year, law proceedings now involving Sun Yat-sen and the Embassy servant, who, at the request of the doctor, communicated with his friends, and so contributed to the agitation which led to his release. At the time Sun Yat-sen promised the servant, George Cole, £500 in the event of any action he might take resulting in his liberation, and this promise was subsequently fulfilled to the extent of £20 paid on account. As action has now been entered for the recovery of the balance, but Sun Yat-sen, while acknowledging his indebtedness to Cole, is unable to meet his claim owing to lack of means.

NOW SIR HEDWORTH MEUX.

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YEAR'S STRIKE ENDS.

After lasting nearly a year, the miners' strike at Leadhills, Lanarkshire, has been settled.

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A NEW EDITOR FOR "JOHN BULL."

The following announcement appeared in a recent issue of *John Bull*. Odhams Press, Limited, the proprietors of *John Bull*, have entered into arrangements with Mr. Bottomley, under which he ceases to edit this journal from this issue. Mr. Bottomley finds it necessary at

present to devote his whole attention to his personal and political affairs, and to the conduct of his two Sunday journals, the *Sunday Illustrated* and *Sunday Sports Telegram*. The editorial conduct will in future devolve on the present assistant editor, Mr. W. Charles Pilley. The whole of the present editorial staff are being retained, and there will be no change in the policy or aims of *John Bull*.

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Panoramic view of Hongkong Harbour, showing the many steamers held up owing to the seamen's strike.



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The late Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C.



Photo: Mee Cheong.
The bridal party at the wedding of Mr. J. L. Adams and Miss G. D. Mason.

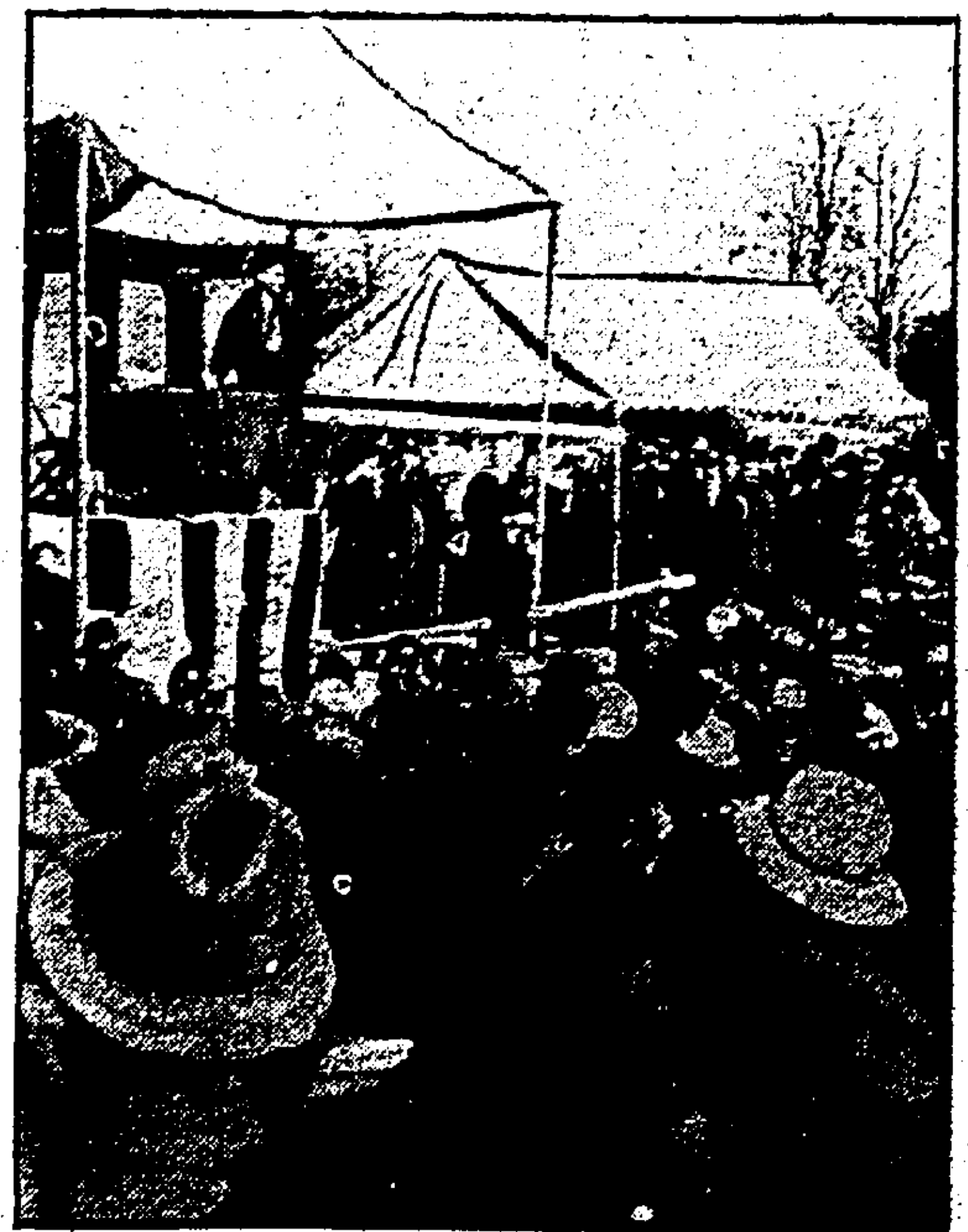


His Holiness Pius XI, the new Pope of Rome.



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Group taken at the Adams-Mason wedding.



Mass meeting at Hibaya Park, Tokyo, at which disarmament was advocated.

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H. C. S. Bank	sa.	780	b.	785
K. of E. Asia n. Old 105 New 102	n.		b.	106
Marine Insurances.				
Cantons	b.	436	n.	440
North China	n.	\$144	b.	144
Unions	b.	240	b.	242
Yangtze	b.	24	b.	24
Far Eastern	b.		b.	
Fire Insurances.				
China Fires	b.	125 1/2	b.	125
H.K. Fires	b.	367	b.	370
Shipping.				
Douglases	b.	34	b.	34 1/2
H.K. Steamboats	b.	36 1/2	b.	36 1/2
Indos (Pref.)	b.	36	b.	36
Indo Def. Lon/Reg.	n.	265	b.	265
Indo Def. H.K. Reg.	n.	260	b.	260
Shells	b.	87 1/2	b.	87 1/2
Ferries	b. sa.	37 1/2	b. 36	37
Refineries.				
Sugars	n.	150	b.	152
Malabons	n.	49	n.	45
Mining.				
Kailans	n.	67 1/2	b.	70 1/2
Langkats	b.	\$9	sa.	9
Shanghai Loans	b.	\$1	b.	1.20
Shai Explorations	b.	23 1/2	b.	23 1/2
Raubs	b.	11 1/2	b.	11 1/2
Tronohs	b.	11 1/2	b.	11 1/2
Oral Caspians	b.	11 1/2	b.	11 1/2
Bonquet Con	P.	1.95	b.	1.95
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.				
K. Wharves	b. sa.	88	b. 88 1/2	89
Docks b. 160 a. 163 sa. 161	b.	160	b.	165
Shai Docks	b.	\$104	n.	105
N. Engineerings	n.	\$8 1/2	n.	8 1/2
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.				
Centrals	b.	145	b.	145
H.K. Hotels	b.	23 1/2	b. 22	23
H.K. Lands	b.	203	b.	203
H. Phreys Est.	b. sa.	10.60	b.	10.70
E. Loan Lands	b.	43	b.	43
L. Reclamation	b.	185	b.	185
West Point	b.	52	b.	52
Cotton Mills.				
Ewos	b.	\$19 1/2	b.	19 1/2
Oriental	n.	\$14	n.	14
Shai Cottons	sa.	\$147 1/2	b.	147 1/2
Miscellaneous.				
Cements	b.	22 1/2	sa.	22.60/75
China Light old	b.	12.30	b.	12.30
China Light new	b.	13.20	b.	13.4
China Providents	b.	24 1/2	b.	25
Dairy Farms	s. 24 1/2	sa. 24 1/2	b.	24 1/2
Electric H.K.	sa.	24 1/2	b.	24 1/2
Electric Macao	n.	50	b.	50
H. Kong & Canton Ice	n.	33 1/2	n.	33
H. Tramways	b.	14.10	b.	14 1/2
Peak Tram, old	b.	9.70	b.	9 1/2
Do. new	b.	1	b.	1 1/2
Steam Landries	n.	11 1/2	b.	11 1/2
Water-boat	b.	16	b.	16 1/2
Watsons	b.	10	b.	10
Wm. Powells	b.	34 1/2	b.	34
Wisemans	n.	34 1/2	b.	34

Hongkong, February 18, 1922.

PORT INTELLIGENCE.

The following shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day.

Vessels Arrived.

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Ishang	B & S	Shanghai	Holt's Wharf
Iyo M.	N.Y.K.	Vancouver & Manila London & Singapore	A 27

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure.
Arakan	J.C.J.L.	Sourabaya via Batavia	17th Feb.
Ishang	B & S	Shanghai	17th Feb.
Golden State	P.M.S.S. Co.	San Francisco via S'hai	18th Feb.
Keystone State	Admiral Line	Seattle via Shanghai	"
Iyo M.	N.Y.K.	Yokohama via Shanghai	"
Kaijo M.	O.S.K.	Keelung via Swatow	"

Impending Departures.

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Danera	P & O	Shanghai	17th Feb.
Arakan	J.C.J.L.	Java	17th
Tijpanas	J.C.J.L.	Saigon	17th
Tijpanas	J.C.J.L.	Japan	17th
Iyo M.	N.Y.K.	Shanghai	17th
Ishang	B & S	Shanghai	17th
Keystone State	Ad. Line	Seattle	18th
Matsumoto M.	N.Y.K.	Rotterdam	18th
Gorontalo	J.C.J.L.	Japan	18th
Hongchow	B & S	Shanghai	18th
Maxim M.	N.Y.K.	Yokohama	18th
Chunha	B & S	Hatohong	18th
Hatohong	D.L. Co.	Foochow	18th
Mausan	J.M. Co.	Sandakan	20th
Fookang	J.M. Co.	Calcutta	20th
Yueyang	J.M. Co.	Manila	20th
Wanching	J.M. Co.	Shanghai	20th
Chunha	J.M. Co.	Batavia	20th
Loasang	J.M. Co.	Honolulu	20th
Democreas	B & S	Liverpool	20th
Satsuma	Ad. Line	Panama	20th
Kingyuan	B & S	Singapore	20th
Taming	B & S	Hatohong	20th
Hatohong	B & S	Hatohong	20th
Iyon	B & S	Vancouver	21st
Janis	P & O	Calcutta	21st
Glenzie	J.M. Co.	Hamburg	22nd
Daire Castle	D & Co.	New York	22nd
Tuyobashi M.	N.Y.K.	Japan	22nd
Hatohong	N.Y.K.	Yokohama	22nd
Katori M.	N.Y.K.	Yokohama	22nd
Hatohong	J.M. Co.	Hatohong	22nd
E. of Kama	C.F.S.L.	Hatohong	22nd
Tracia	D & Co.	Shanghai	23rd
Tamara M.	N.Y.K.	Shanghai	23rd
Van Gasteren	N.Y.K.	Shanghai	23rd
Korea M.	T.K.K.	Shanghai	23rd
Tijpanas	J.C.J.L.	Shanghai	24th
Akim	N.Y.K.	Manila	24th
Danera	P & O	Bombay	25th
West-Chopaka	S & B	San Francisco	25th

Impending Arrivals.

(Supplied by our Advertisers.)

Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Ishang	B & S	Shanghai	20th Feb.
Iyo M.	N.Y.K.	Vancouver	21st
Shimo M.	T.K.K.	Singapore	24th
Deana	P & O	London	26th
Atana M.	N.Y.K.	London	27th
Boston Castle	D & Co.	New York	27th
Yokohama	D & Co.	Liverpool	27th
Norara	P & O	London	27th
Shidra M.	N.Y.K.	London	11th
Danera	P & O	Shanghai	11th
Kendal Castle	D & Co.	New York	11th

Consignees Diary.

(Compiled from our Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Goods Stored	Free Storage	Claims to be Examined
Korea M.	T.K.K.	Kyushu	Feb 24	Mar 10
Olymont	A.L.	Feb 14	Feb 15	Feb 22
Lake Onawa	N.Y.K.	Shanghai	Feb 14	Feb 22
Katori M.	N.Y.K.	Japan	Feb 14	Feb 22
Tamara M.	N.Y.K.	Shanghai	Feb 14	Feb 22
Iyo M.	N.Y.K.	Shanghai	Feb 14	Feb 22
Tijpanas	J.C.J.L.	Shanghai	Feb 14	Feb 22
Tracia	D & Co.	Shanghai	Feb 14	Feb 22

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The attention of the Public is hereby directed to Para. 81 of the Hongkong Post Office Regulations which reads as follows:

Neither money nor any other articles of value ought to be sent by post except in a registered postal packet, and in the case of money by means of a Post Office Money Order or a Postal Order duly filled up with the name of the payee. Any person who sends money or any other articles of value otherwise runs the risk of losing his property and the Post Office declines all responsibility for such, and will make no inquiries into alleged loss of such letters.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Europe via Suez. Papers only. London	By express	18th Feb.
Shanghai	By express	18th Feb.
Parcel Mail from London 18th Jan.	By express	18th Feb.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Swatow, Amoy & Peking	By express	19 inst., 9 a.m.
Amoy & Peking	By express	19 inst., 9 a.m.
Swatow & Peking	By express	20 inst., 11 a.m.
Swatow & Peking	By express	21 inst., 4 p.m.

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Philippine Islands, Straits, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Aden, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles.

The Parcel Mail will be closed on Tuesday, the 28th Feb. at 5 p.m.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles.

Harbin M. ... Fri., 3 Mar. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.

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From	Due	From	Due
H'kong Vancouver		Canada	England
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Empress of Asia	Mar. 23	Apr. 13	Apr. 21
Empress of Russia	Apr. 23	May 13	May 21
Empress of Asia	May 23	Jun. 13	Jun. 21
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S.S. Pinetree State	For Seattle	Mar. 23.	Apr. 11.

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S.S. Silver State	Feb. 27.
S.S. Pinetree State	Mar. 13.

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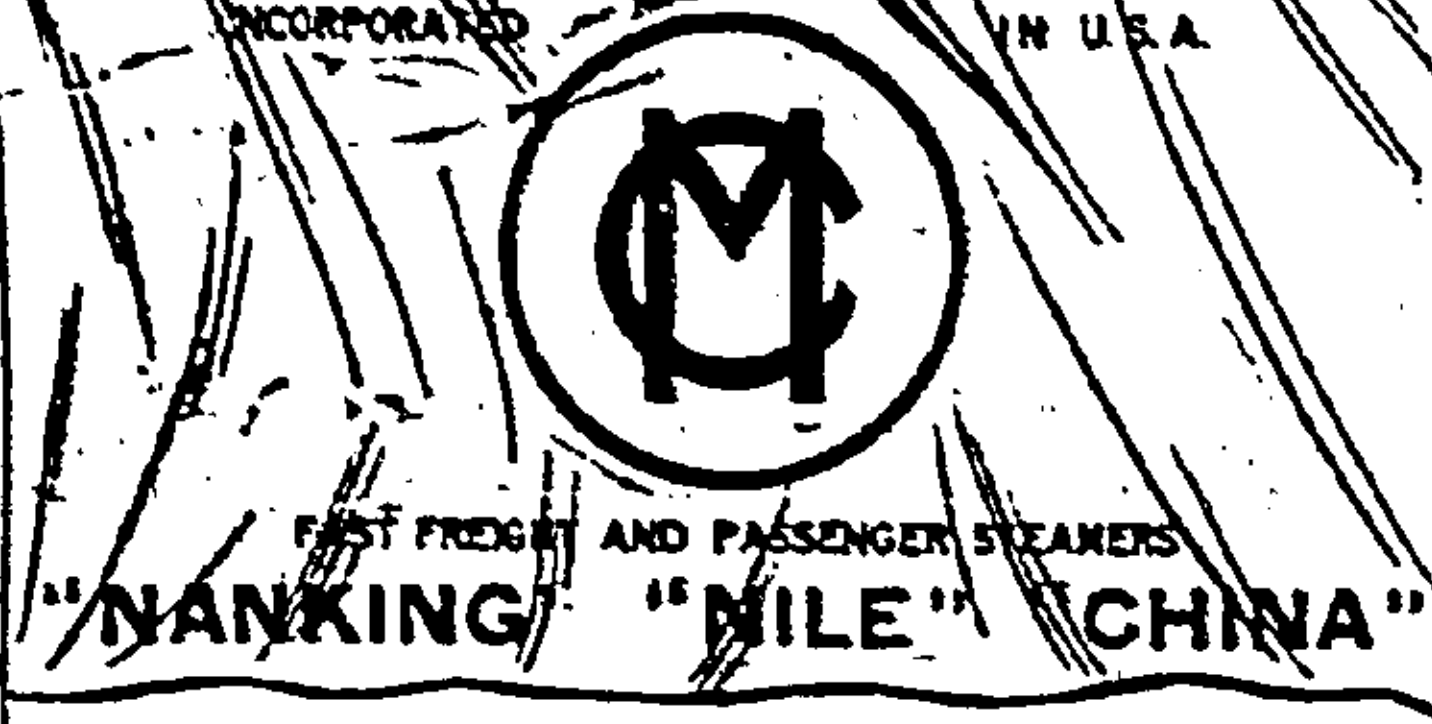
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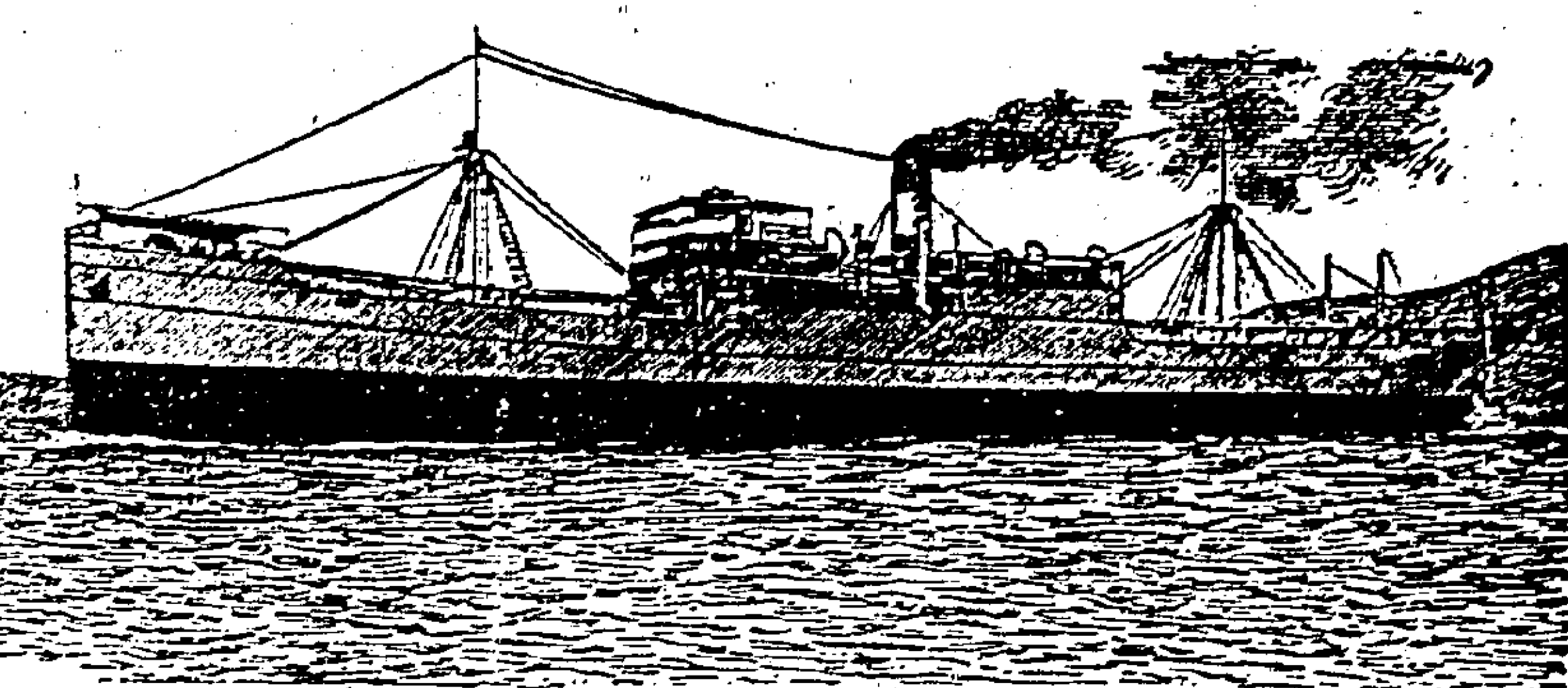
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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

SAMPLES FOR CHINA.

Correspondence of considerable interest to Manchester shippers in the China trade has passed between the Chamber of Commerce in that city and the Postmaster General. The Post Office has recently announced that in future the weight of sample post packets sent to China must be limited to 12 ounces and the size to 12 inches by 3 inches, in place of the former allowance of 5lb. weight with no restriction as to size. The president of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce has conferred with the chairman and members of the China section to ascertain the effect of the new regulations, and the secretary, Mr. Street, has sent a letter to the Postmaster General in which he says:—Manchester merchants interested in cotton piece goods have for many years been in the habit of making up samples in an attractive manner, which the Chinese dealers have come to regard as essential. The requirements of the Chinese market necessitate pattern cards, of a large size, the general range being from 13in. by 7in. to 14in. by 10in. and 15in. by 8in. Moreover, it is necessary for sample cards to be four-fold, which means that the weight will vary from 4lb. to 14lb. or more. The new regulation therefore means that the sample post on its new basis will be gravely inconvenient to the important Manchester trade. The alternative to the sample post, namely, the parcel post, is one of which Manchester merchants are very reluctant to make use. In the first place, there is a delay with the parcel post of one to three weeks, which means in practice that the goods will arrive before the pattern cards, which should precede them. There can be no doubt, from the large number and the urgency of the written and verbal complaints received by the Chamber, that the continuance of the new regulation will impose a great difficulty upon the China trade. To this the Postmaster General has sent the following reply, which it will be seen is to some extent reassuring:—I am directed by the Postmaster General to inform you that the recent reduction in the limit of weight for samples for China from 5lb. to 12 ounces was made in order to comply with the regulations of the Postal Union, to which China is now a party. Under those regulations the limit of weight for samples is 350 grammes (12 ounces). This limit is to be raised to 500 grammes (1lb.) on and from the 1st of January next, under a decision of the recent postal congress at Madrid. In view of your representation, the Chinese Post Office has been asked whether, as an exceptional arrangement, it will continue to accept sample packets up to the limit of 5lb. in the service between the United Kingdom and China.

The first large steel export contract of the year—13,000 tons of rails for the Japanese Government has been announced by the United States Steel Products Company.

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DUNERA	5,400	23rd Feb.	S'pore, Colombo & B'bay
KASHGAR	9,000	1st Mar.	M'les, London & Antwerp
SICILIA	6,700	14th Mar.	S'pore, Colombo & Bombay

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

JANUS	5,000	21st Feb.	Singapore, Penang, R'goon via Singapore & Calcutta
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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

EASTERN	4,000	6th Mar.	Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

DUNERA	5,400	17 Feb. 11 a.m.	Shanghai only.
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HARUNA MARU Friday, 3rd Mar., at 11 a.m.

KAMO MARU Friday, 17th Mar., at 11 a.m.

HAMBURG via LONDON, HULL & ROTTERDAM.

MATSUMOTO MARU Saturday, 18th February.

LIVERPOOL, via MARSEILLES.

TAJIMA MARU Monday 13th March.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c.

TANGO MARU Tuesday, 21st Mar., at 11 a.m.

NIKKO MARU Tuesday, 15th Apr., at 11 a.m.

NEW YORK VIA PANAMA & CUBAN PORTS.

TAKETOYO MARU Wednesday, 22nd February.

NEW YORK via Suez.

RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Cape.

KANAGAWA MARU End of March.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

TSURUGA MARU Thursday, 23rd Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

NIKKO MARU Friday, 17th Mar., at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

TOYOHASHI MARU Wednesday, 22nd Feb.

ATSUTA MARU Thursday, 2nd Mar., at 11 a.m.

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M.V. "GLENARA"	19th February.
"GLENARIFFE"	3rd March.
"GLENOLLE"	17th March.

HOMEWARDS.

Vessel	Leaves Hongkong.	Discharges.
S.S. GLENLUCE	22nd Feb.	L'DON, R'DAM, A'WERP, H'BURG
"GLENSHANE	25th Feb.	GENOA, M'LES, L'DON & H'BURG
"GLENADE	10th Mar.	GENOA, L'DON, H'BURG, A'WERP
"GLENAMOY	24th Mar.	L'DON, R'DAM, H'BURG, A'WERP
"GLENARA"	2nd Apr.	GENOA, L'DON, R'DAM, H'BURG
"GLENARIFFE	18th Apr.	GENOA, L'DON, R'DAM, H'BURG

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Destination	Steamer	Sailing
MANILA	Vuonsang	Mon. 20th Feb. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Waishang	" " at d'light.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Loksang	" " at 10 a.m.
BANGKOK	Chunsang	" " at 10 a.m.
SANDAKAY	Mausang	" " at noon.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Fooksang	" " at 3 p.m.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	Steamer	To S'g.
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SWATOW & SINGAPORE	Kinyuan	20th "
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SHIPPING NEWS.

JAPAN CANCELS ORDERS.
It is reported that the Japanese have cancelled a large order with German works in view of the naval limitations decided upon at Washington.

DANGERS OF NAVIGATION.

It would be interesting to know what occult influence or "hidden hand" it is that induces the B.I. to retain Negapatam as the port for the embarkation of mails and coolies for the Far East, says the Straits Echo. The anchorage is a perfect deathtrap, and a good many lives have been lost there already.

PINE TREE STATE'S RECORD.

The Shanghai office of the Admiralty Line states that telegraphic advices have been received from Seattle that the Company's str. Pine Tree State arrived there at 7.30 a.m. on January 30, making the voyage from Yokohama in exactly eight days and 19 hours, which is a record run for that route.

JAPANESE TONNAGE.

There are 759 steamers of 1,000 tons or over tied up in the various ports of Japan owing to the lack of cargo. The total tonnage is placed at 199,147. This report has just been published by the authorities and it is stated that it shows a decrease of 5,000 tons as compared with the figures for the same period during the preceding month.

YELLOW RIVER SERVICE.

A number of wealthy militarists have organized a new steamship navigation service between Kowloon and Yuiyuan at the upper end of the Yellow River and have raised the sum of one million dollars for the purpose. Shallow water steamers have been ordered from American builders and a temporary office has been opened in Peking pending the Government's registration of the company.

MANILA FREIGHTS.

Messrs. Warner, Barnes & Co., Ltd. Manila, in their latest report on hand state—There have been no local fixtures reported. The strike of the Chinese Seamen's Union at Hongkong has practically brought all business to a standstill there, and the prospects of a speedy settlement are apparently remote. The present rate on Rice Saigon/Hongkong is nominally 24/25 cts. [Mex. cur.] per picul, and there is practically nothing doing.

PETROGRAD AS WINTER PORT.

Petrograd will henceforth be a winter port, which it never yet has been. Hitherto it has been considered open to safe navigation for an average of only 250 days in the year. By arrangement with the British Admiralty, the ice-breaker *Scintagor* will be used at Petrograd, in conjunction with the *Lenin* and other smaller ships. The *Scintagor* is a vessel of 8,700 tons, and the *Lenin* is of larger dimensions. Shipping and Engineering.

GERMAN SHIPBUILDING.

Great activity prevails in German shipping circles, according to advices received from Bremen. Since last year, all shipbuilders in Germany have repeatedly extended the scope of their business to meet the rapidly increasing orders placed with them for the construction of steamers to be operated by German shipping companies and those to be surrendered to the Entente Powers in fulfillment of Germany's reparations obligations.—Shipping and Engineering.

SINO-BEL LIAN LINE.

There is said to be a proposal to start a steamship service between China and Belgium, and the Chinese Foreign Office and the Belgian Legation in Peking have lately been in close consultation on the subject. Definite plans and regulations for the new service are reported to have been drawn up. Two separate routes are proposed, viz., from Shanghai and Hongkong to Belgium, via Singapore, Bombay, and the Mediterranean Sea, and from Shanghai eastward to Japan, via the Panama Canal, New York and Liverpool to Belgium.

DEATH OF KOBE SHIPPER.

A familiar figure on the water-front disappeared in the passing of Mr. Sigmund Adolf Isaacson, whose death took place on January 29th. Born at Copenhagen in 1865, he went to Kobe as a young man in the service of the late Mr. Christensen, in the stevedoring business, and for the past 30 years had worked in Kobe harbour, almost his only absence being a spell of two or three months at Vladivostok during the war. After Mr. Christensen gave up his interest in the Mitsubishi firm, and later on the Pacific Mail Co. For the past eight years he has been with the Canadian Pacific Co.

